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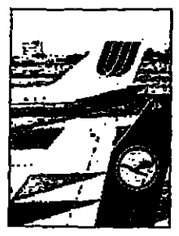
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PC's murder provokes outrage

Howard set to back down over Sheehy

BY STEWART TENDLER AND PHILIP WEBSTER

■ As the shooting of a "gentle local bobby" highlights the dangers faced by the police, Michael Howard prepares to give way on the Sheehy reforms

MICHAEL Howard is expected to water down the unpopular Sheehy reforms next week as he tries to forge a partnership with a police community that is again mourning a murdered colleague.

Officers across the country are almost unanimously against the changes in work practices proposed by Sir Patrick Sheehy, and senior ministers want to avoid confrontation with the force while tackling crime is the central plank of government strategy.

The home secretary is understood to have doubts over Sir Patrick's recommendation that police should be given fixed-term contracts and that a system of performance-related pay be introduced based on experience, responsibility and the difficulty of the job. The cabinet is now expected to limit the reforms, although some senior ranks are still likely to be abolished.

The likelihood of the police winning substantial concessions emerged yesterday as MPs, the police and the public united in outrage at the killing on Wednesday of Patrick Dunne, an unarmed community constable, by a gang of feuding drug dealers.

As four men were being questioned by Scotland Yard detectives, Michael Shersby told the Commons: "Every police officer in this country does not have a job for life, but they frequently give their life for the job."

Mr Shersby, parliamentary adviser to the Police Federation, was making an obvious reference to Sheehy and he was assured by Tony Newton, the Commons leader standing in at prime minister's question time, said that Mr Howard would wish to "respond appropriately" to demands for better protection for the police.

A cabinet committee chaired by John Major is expected to discuss its response to the Sheehy report next week, and Mr Howard could make a statement to the Commons on Thursday afternoon.

Yesterday, Mr Howard deplored the "absolutely dreadful" shooting in Clapham, south London, on Wednesday night, but ruled out arming all police. He said: "Where it is appropriate, where it is necessary for police officers to be armed, they are armed now."

That view was backed by most MPs and most officers. Paul Condon, the Metropolitan Police commissioner, said: "The general feeling is most police officers do not want to be armed, but they recognise as we are confronting more and more armed criminals with heavier and heaveir weapons, then more police officers must be armed. My officers will be protected, we will equip them for the risks that they face. At the moment, the balance suggests we needn't arm all of them."

Mr Condon had earlier paid tribute to PC Dunne, saying: "I didn't know Patrick Dunne, but I know hundreds like him. He was a good, honest, kind, gentle local bobby doing what the Met does best, doing what British policing does best — working with his local community."

PC Dunne was shot after cycling to a domestic dispute in Cato Road, Clapham. Hearing the sound of gunfire, he went out into the street where he was killed by a group of men who were apparently laughing as they fled the house after stabbing and shooting a drug dealer. Seventeen shots were fired from the automatic handgun that killed the two men.

By last night, four men had been arrested in connection with the shootings. Three were seized unarmed as they drove through a south London estate in a Nissan car whose description had been flashed across the capital. The fourth was arrested in Leicester.

Detectives are investigating possible links between the deaths and the trade in crack-cocaine dominated by Yardie gangs which originated in Jamaica. The dealer who was killed had been under surveillance by local drug squad officers for 24 hours before the shootings.

His ground-floor flat was not being watched, but he had been followed by undercover officers and he was regarded as a middle-ranking dealer selling a variety of drugs. A small amount of cannabis was found in the back garden.

Last night, a local man described how he saw a man with a baseball bat ringing the bell of the flat shortly after 9 pm on Wednesday. Michael Wilson also said he saw two other men with guns a few yards up the road. "Then they ran towards where the man with the baseball bat was and he started kicking in the door. Then I heard shots. I think there were between 12 and 18."

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CHRIS HARRIS



PC Barrie Critchley, one of the murdered policeman's colleagues, at the scene of the shooting yesterday

German cut adds to rates pressure

BY JANET BUSH
ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

THE Bundesbank yesterday provided a welcome fillip for European economies by cutting its discount rate, a move which takes German rates below those in Britain and may strengthen the case for a base-rate cut at Budget time.

The German central bank cut the discount rate from 6.25 per cent to 5.75 per cent; comparable British base rates have stood at 6 per cent since January.

Treasury officials welcomed the cut, which came before many in the financial markets had expected. They said they were pleased with any action which would help British exporters in the crucial European markets which are in a slump borne of high interest rates. France is expected to follow the Bundesbank's lead and cut its rates.

The British stock market jumped to a new high and the pound bounced sharply after the news, climbing more than two pfennigs against the mark. Economists said that the more sterling appreciates, the higher the chance of a base-rate cut in coming weeks.

With trade figures yesterday showing a deterioration in Britain's trade last month, even with economies outside Europe which are showing some economic growth, any marked strengthening of the pound — and consequent loss of competitiveness — would not be welcome.

The Bundesbank also cut its Lombard rate from 7.25 per cent to 6.75 per cent and said its policy of gradual interest rate cuts was continuing. Hans Tietmeyer, the central bank's new president, said there was scope for more falls in rates, raising hopes around the European economies that they will be able to start cutting their own rates and alleviating recession and rising unemployment.

Guenter Rexrodt, Germany's economics minister, said the rate cuts were a step towards pulling the country out of recession.

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Virgin files new suit against BA

BY JON ASHWORTH

THE bitter war between Virgin Atlantic and British Airways shifted to American soil yesterday, when Virgin filed an anti-trust action in New York claiming potential damages of up to $1 billion (£675 million).

BA is accused of using a variety of "dirty tricks" to tip competition on transatlantic routes in its favour. These allegedly include manipulating travel agents to deny Virgin business, refusing to accept Virgin passengers on connecting flights, and using incentives to poach business from Virgin.

Virgin is claiming $325 million in damages. Any award will be trebled by a US court. The airline is also seeking an injunction to prevent BA from continuing the acts and practices which allegedly distort competition.

Richard Branson, chairman of Virgin, said he had been willing to accept "token" compensation, believed to be some £9 million. Now, he said, Virgin had become the target of new abuse.

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RAF men face sack in morning's post

BY MICHAEL EVANS, DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

FIRST compulsory redundancies among RAF personnel are included in job cuts announced by the Ministry of Defence yesterday. Letters to the 2,200 made redundant will arrive in the post this morning; 116 of them will be compulsory.

The cuts have become necessary because the loss of staff through natural wastage has been smaller than expected. Under the first phase of RAF redundancies, due to be completed by the end of March, 960 servicemen lost their jobs. All were volunteers.

The RAF said the compulsory redundancy notices were being split equally between officers and other ranks.

RAF manpower is being cut by more than originally planned under the government's Options for Change defence reduction announced in 1990. That figure was 75,000, compared with a pre-Options level of 88,500, but with the loss of another Tornado air defence squadron and other cuts after last autumn's £1 billion reduction in the defence budget, RAF manpower has been further squeezed. In July the defence white paper confirmed that it was to drop to 70,000.

In light of pressures to cut manning and servicemen's growing reluctance to give up their jobs at a time of high unemployment, it seems likely that a third phase of RAF redundancies may be necessary. The army has already had two phases and a third is due in February, when compulsory notices are expected.

If the Treasury wins the current battle to earmark the defence budget for further substantial cuts of £1 billion over each of the next three years, manpower in all three services could be cut again.

Under the Options programme, about £1.2 billion was set aside for redundancy payments. Unless the Treasury agrees new money to pay for more redundancies, another round of cuts would have to be paid from within the defence budget, adding to the financial difficulties already faced by Malcolm Rifkind, Defence Secretary, and the service chiefs.

TOMORROW IN THE TIMES

A seven-day television and *radio guide*



● Nothing is sacred to the *Have I Got News For You* team (above), says Libby Purves, reviewing next week's series in tomorrow's Vision — The Times's new tabloid radio and television guide.

● Vision includes full seven-day listings of all BBC, ITV, Channel 4 and satellite TV programmes and all radio networks, as well as articles by Times experts on the pick of the week's television. In tomorrow's Vision: Philip Howard on Boswell and Johnson; Roy Hattersley on Clegg and Compo; and Laurie Taylor on the BBC's new disc jockeys.

Vision: required reading every Saturday.

● PLUS, in tomorrow's Magazine: David Lean and his mistresses — a correspondence that highlights the relationship between the film-maker's art and his loves.

Queen sanctions republicans' aim

FROM NICHOLAS WOOD AND MICHAEL BINYON IN LIMASSOL

THE Queen indicated last night that she would not stand in the way of Commonwealth countries such as Australia becoming republics.

The hint came after the 50-nation Commonwealth conference opened in Cyprus under a cloud of teargas as the host country rammed home its discontent with Britain's behaviour towards the partitioned island's political problems.

At a banquet aboard the royal yacht *Britannia*, the Queen looked back over her 40-year reign and, hazarding a guess about the future, said: "I will certainly not be betting on how many of you will have the head of the Commonwealth as your head of state."

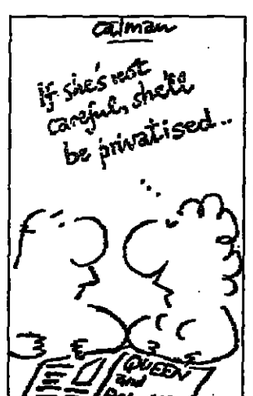
Her comments came after she had again been reminded by the mayor of Limassol of the depth of feeling in Cyprus about Britain's role in the struggle for independence in the 1950s and the failure to evict the Turkish army from the island in the 19 years since its invasion in 1974.

Antonis Hajipavlou said, as he presented her with a commemorative plaque, that the demonstrations that she had faced this week were the expression of Greek Cypriot "frustration" with the political stalemate in the inter-communal negotiations.

Earlier in the day the opening ceremony in Nicosia was marred by scuffles between Greek Cypriot police, British United Nations peacekeeping soldiers and schoolchildren

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Kasparov makes sure

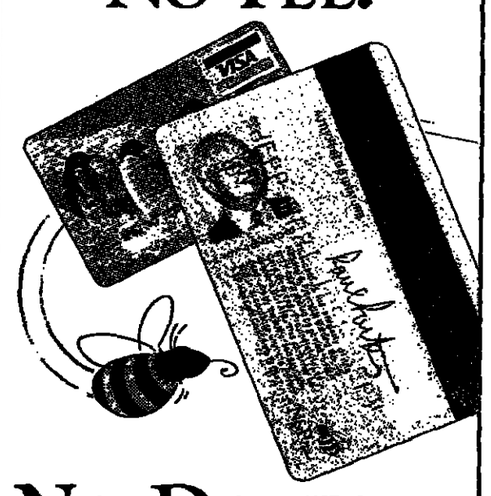
GARRY Kasparov last night clinched victory and over £1 million prize money in The Times World Chess Championship by 12½-7½ after a draw with Nigel Short in the 20th game of their match.

With Kasparov short of time, Short held the initiative for most of the game and seemed determined to make the Russian world champion work hard. But a powerful counter-attack was enough to draw the game in 36 moves.

A knight-shaped giant Waterford crystal trophy was presented to Kasparov by Peter Stothard, editor of The Times.

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MATTHEW PARRIS
POLITICAL SKETCH

Troubles in-store as shop talk keeps Virginia waiting

Poor Mrs Bottomley. The House was agog yesterday at reports that Marks & Spencer at Marble Arch has arranged for her to shop early to avoid being pestered by other shoppers. Eyebrows have been raised. Unfairly! Would *you* trust Peter Bottomley to buy your knickers for you?

To sympathise with her *shopping problems you had* only to watch the health secretary trying to get through a Commons statement on the NHS. This woman is bedevilled by sleeve-tuggers anxious to discuss their health problems. Two hundred MPs were waiting to ambush her. Such is the queue of NHS bores anxious for a little chat about their ailments that it is impossible for a busy lady like Mrs Bottomley to make any progress at all.

First she was tackled by a *real obsessive*: Dave Blunkett, a keen Labour supporter. He launched into a manic denunciation of Tory plans. I counted 42 questions. If Mrs B had wanted to get further than the winter woolies shelf, she gave up hope. Putting down her basket she faced him firmly: "Let's be clear about what's been achieved." She had a list. A friend, Marion Roe (C, Broxbourne) rescued her with some compliments about her DHAs and FHAs.

But who was that lurking *by the Indoor Plants* counter? Dennis Skinner *jumped out and started* growling and jeering about *her shopping habits*. Desperate to extricate herself, *she turned to chivalrous* Roger Sims (C, Chislehurst) *who complimented her on* her outfit (classic; two piece; tangerine. *St Michael?*)

Relief was temporary. Browsing at the Skin Care shelf the Liberals' Liz Lynn buttonholed our hapless shopper with her opinion as to how *she* would organise the NHS. Mrs B escaped — to be tackled by a candid friend: David Martin (Portsmouth S) thought there were too many chiefs and not enough Indians in the NHS. Alice Mahon (Lab, Halifax) elbowed in with a dirge about waiting lists. If a saline drip could talk, it would sound like Ms Mahon.

And they had only just begun. *Among the lingerie* skulked scores more, *waiting to importune. Jerry* Hayes (C, Harlow) bobbed up with a jolly helpful remark while, amid a rustle of plastic bags, we could see Dame Elaine Kellett-Bowman (C, Lancaster), eyebrows beetling, wearing a brooch, a huge badge saying YES, and a security pass on a chain, waiting to pounce. *Gyles Brandreth* (C, Chester) waited near the books counter with a carefully-crafted quip or two.

As MP after MP rose, bursting *with news*, views, gripes and grumbles about coughs, colds, accidents and emergencies, it became clear that the secretary of state, who had only popped in to the shop to do a little routine business, might never escape. Betty Boothroyd, kindly store manager that she is, came to her distinguished customer's rescue. She closed the store. Time was up, she said; we had chatted long enough about health, and it was getting late. *Glancing at Madam Speaker* with infinite relief, Mrs *Bottomley shot through the* swing doors and was gone.

But how is she ever to get her Commons shopping *done? There is only one* answer. Miss Boothroyd *must arrange for the Chamber* to be opened early: before breakfast; before the 649 other MPs get there. Then Mrs Bottomley will be able to try her NHS reforms on, without the bother of tiresome MPs attempting to interrupt and question her.

As so often, Marks & Sparks leads the way.

FIONA HANSON



Bridget O'Brien, second right, with four of her six children: from left, Nathan, Charlotte, Rachel and John

Law lords ruling protects wives against loss of home

BY FRANCES GIBB
LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

■ Women will now get independent advice when their husbands sign deals in which their home is given as security

WIVES who agree that their family home can be used as *security when their husbands* raise a business loan will have greater protection against loss of their property under a landmark ruling by the House of Lords yesterday.

In a keenly awaited test case, the law lords ruled that Bridget O'Brien, who was threatened with repossession of her jointly-owned home, could set aside the legal charge. They said the lender, Barclays Bank, failed to explain the full implications of the transaction to her and did not recommend that she took independent legal advice.

The ruling means that banks will be obliged to advise wives in a private meeting, inform them of the liabilities and risks and urge them to take independent advice.

But the law lords made clear *that a wife could not be* released from her obligations just because she had not understood the nature of the security; only if her husband had wronged her by misrepresentation or undue influence.

Lords Templeman, Lowry, Browne-Wilkinson, Slynn and Woolf ruled that Mrs O'Brien was entitled to cancel the whole charge securing her husband's liability.

Mrs O'Brien and her husband Nicholas, a chartered accountant, who have six children, had stood to lose their home in Slough, Berkshire, as a result of Barclays calling in a £135,000 overdraft.

When Mrs O'Brien signed the second mortgage, she was told by her husband that it *was for a fixed amount of* £60,000 for three weeks to *enable him to increase his* shareholding in Heathrow Fabrications. In fact, Mr O'Brien had guaranteed all the company's debts to the bank, which granted a £135,000 overdraft secured on the couple's home.

Bank staff were instructed to explain the deal to Mrs O'Brien and advise her to take independent advice, but failed to do so. Months later, Mrs O'Brien discovered the overdraft had risen to £154,000 and the firm was in trouble. The bank obtained a county court possession order on her home in 1988, but in May last year the Court of Appeal ruled that because she mistakenly *believed her liability was limited* to £60,000, Barclays was *entitled to only that sum.*

Lord Browne-Wilkinson *said the idea that a wife was* subservient to her husband in the management of family finances was outmoded, "yet in a substantial proportion of marriages it is still the husband who has the business experience and the wife is willing to follow his advice without bringing a truly independent mind and will to bear".

On the other hand, it was essential to ensure that banks did not refuse to accept the wealth tied up in the matrimonial home as security.

In future banks would have to take "reasonable steps" to ensure the wife's agreement in such cases had been properly obtained through informing the wife separately of her obligations.

Lord Browne-Wilkinson said the ruling would also apply to unmarried couples, heterosexual or homosexual, *in a relationship where there* was a risk of one of them *exploiting the other's emotional* involvement and trust.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Politicians clash over Irish EC aid claims

A furious dispute between the European Commission and the Irish government over the allocation of regional aid came to a head yesterday when Ireland failed to secure *funds which the government* claimed were in the bag. Irish opposition politicians accused the government of "deceit on *a vast scale" in* telling the electorate that it had been made promises of money which have now not been fulfilled.

Dublin failed to win the full £7.84 billion that Dick Spring, the foreign minister, said he was promised by Jacques *Delors, the EC president, in* July. EC officials say Ireland will receive around £7.2 billion over the next six years.

Pity for guilty widower

A man who turned to mortgage fraud to provide his dying wife with a dream home received a suspended sentence at *Reading Crown Court.* Michael Fallon, 40, lied to buy the property, but his wife died soon afterwards. Judge Spence *told him:* "*It is unfortunate your wife* was not able to enjoy the fruits of your criminal activity longer than she did."

Vauxhall cut extended

Vauxhall is to close its plant at Luton for a third week during the middle of next month. Magagement said yesterday that lay-offs among the 4,000 workers in the new year could not be ruled out. Production was halted during the first week of this month and will stop again next week. The shut-down will cut production by 5,000 vehicles.

Jail for sex at party

A man was jailed for three years for having unlawful sex *with a woman who was so drunk at a party that she was* unconscious. Alan Davidson, 28, was the woman's boss at BOC, Cumbernauld, Strathclyde. The High Court at Airdrie was told that he had sex with the woman, a virgin, after she *had been carried to a bedroom to recover.*

Leak at nuclear plant

The first radioactive incident at the Thorp nuclear reprocessing plant at Sellafield, Cumbria, was reported yesterday. British Nuclear Fuels said a litre of uranyl nitrate leaked from a pump into an enclosed area. The liquid was being used for testing the reprocessing plant. Uranium commissioning of Thorp began a month ago.

Clue to couple's killer



Detectives hunting the killer of an elderly farmer and his wife yesterday issued an artist's impression, left, of a man they want to trace. The thin man, more than 6ft tall, was twice seen acting suspiciously near Harry and Megan Tooze's farm at Llanharry, Mid Glamorgan. *The couple were blasted* with a shotgun on July 26. *The suspect was seen carrying* a dark-coloured bag in a *lane near the farm.*

Bodies found on Skye

Two bodies, believed to be those of a missing German *couple, were recovered from a mountain ridge on Skye by* a rescue team and an RAF Sea King helicopter yesterday. *Linda Bohlen, 25, and her boy friend Stefan Mohr, 24, both* from Braunschweig, near Hanover, were on a walking holiday and were due to return home on September 25.

BBC wins court action

The BBC yesterday secured an agreement in the High Court from Star Television, Rupert Murdoch's Hong Kong based satellite station, that it would continue to honour a partnership it holds with the BBC's World Service Television, pending further court action. The case could have far-reaching implications for global television services.

More hospitals to close after review

BY JEREMY LAURANCE, HEALTH SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

MORE hospitals are likely to close as competition between them intensifies following the government's announcement yesterday of a review of NHS management.

Up to 4,000 administrative jobs are expected to go as a tier of management which has played a key role in controlling the National Health Service is disbanded.

Announcing the decision yesterday, Virginia Bottomley, *the health secretary, said the* changes would make NHS *management* "*simpler* and sharper" and save money for patient care. David Blunkett, the shadow health secretary, said the government was "moving further away from a planned health service, giving the market greater power to operate without restraint".

Abolition of the 14 regional health authorities, to be replaced by eight regional offices of the NHS management *executive with smaller staffs*, will leave the NHS hospital trusts with a freer hand to close or open services and alter terms for staff in the competition for patients. London hospitals are already being forced to limit beds and cut jobs, and pressures are increasing elsewhere.

Philip Hunt, the director of the National Association of Health Authorities and Trusts, said the move would ease market restraints.

Professor Chris Ham, director of the Health Services Management Centre at *Birmingham University, said* the regional offices were a "classic compromise" between the architects of the reforms, who wanted more competition, and their critics who feared that giving the market its head would lead to unplanned closures and gaps in the provision of health care. "It all depends on what function these regional offices perform and the style they adopt."

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Queen sanctions republicans' aim

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protesting at the Turkish occupation of the north. Police fired teargas to disperse some of the crowd, estimated at 700, who tried to storm across the "Green Line" at the Ledra Palace crossing point. They tried to force their way into the buffer zone. Some threw stones, and in a separate demonstration elsewhere, Turkish youths hurled stones into the Greek sector.

Nearly 40,000 Greek Cypriot women linked arms along the 50-mile road between Limassol and Nicosia to dramatise their country's continuing division and concern over the 1,600 men missing since the 1974 war.

Cyprus used the opening ceremony to ram home its message with a film depicting regional conflicts including footage of Turkish troops parachuting into the island in 1974. British officials indicated *later that they and other* delegations were dismayed by the evident attempt by the host country to focus attention on its domestic difficulties.

One British official described the film and remarks by President Clerides as counter-productive, and said there would be little sympathy for the Cypriot tactics at the weekend retreat of Commonwealth leaders. Douglas Hurd, foreign secretary, said it was natural that these feelings should surface, but they would not dominate the meeting.

Several delegates voiced support for the Cypriot stance. President Mugabe of Zimbabwe said he was "deeply touched by the lines of sorrowing women". He drew prolonged applause from the delegations when he urged the conference to tackle the Cyprus problem in the same way as it ended "settler rule" *in 00s own country.*

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'I have got no feelings about the killers but once it sinks in, I will despise them with all my heart'

Brother pays tribute to the caring PC doing a job he loved

BY MICHAEL HORSNELL, EDWARD GORMAN AND RONALD FAUX

THE distraught brother of PC Patrick Dunne spoke last night of his contempt for the men who murdered him in cold blood.

Ivan Dunne, 40, said they killed him as he did the job he loved, helping the local community. "I have got no feelings about the killers but once it sinks in, I'm sure I will despise them with all my heart for what they have done to him," Mr Dunne, an electrician from London, said.

He spoke as his widowed mother Betty, 67, recovered in St Thomas's hospital after collapsing from what was mistakenly believed at first to be a heart attack.

Red-eyed but determined to pay tribute to his 44-year-old brother, Mr Dunne said: "He was a very much respected man, much loved by people at work, the people on the beat and by his family of course. We will miss him terribly.

"He went into the police force because he was looking for job satisfaction, which he could no longer get in teaching towards the end of his career. He could not get the 100 per cent out of it that he was striving for whatever he did."

Mr Dunne said the dead officer never expressed fears for his own safety and the family was more proud of him than he could ever describe.

"I don't feel he could have carried a gun because I know Patrick could never have shot anybody, but I think he thought it would come eventually that police would carry guns and this was something he did not want."

The tribute came as fellow beat officers expressed their own admiration for PC Dunne. Barrie Critchley, who worked with him in Clapham, said officers at the station passed each other in total silence yesterday morning.

He described PC Dunne as "a very quiet man and a very caring man. He enjoyed what he did. No problem was too small."

At the scene of his murder a number of people brought flowers in tribute. Among them were Michelle Deeth, 12, and Josephine Ashworth, 10, who remembered PC Dunne visiting their school to give the children advice.

Patrick Dunne was unmarried but had had a fiancée who was killed in a car crash some years ago. He began his career teaching at Deane High School in Bolton, Greater Manchester, in 1971 and became head of mathematics.

He left to join the Metropolitan Police in 1986 and to be closer to his parents. Colleagues in Bolton recalled that it was his desire to help victims of crime that drove him to give up teaching. He had twice tried to join the force before he was accepted.

"He was always very concerned about the way things were going in the world," one said. "It used to irritate him when he constantly read about muggings and that sort of thing. I suppose he simply decided to try and do something about it."

Derek O'Brien, deputy head teacher at Deane High School, recalled how PC Dunne had quickly shown great ability after joining the staff and was appointed "head of the year". He became thoroughly involved in the life of the school, taking parties of youngsters to the Lake District on climbing expeditions and other outdoor pursuits.

"Children who were taught by Pat respected him enormously. He was a defender of the underdog but always had a burning ambition to join the police force. He cared passionately about crime and crime prevention," Mr O'Brien said.

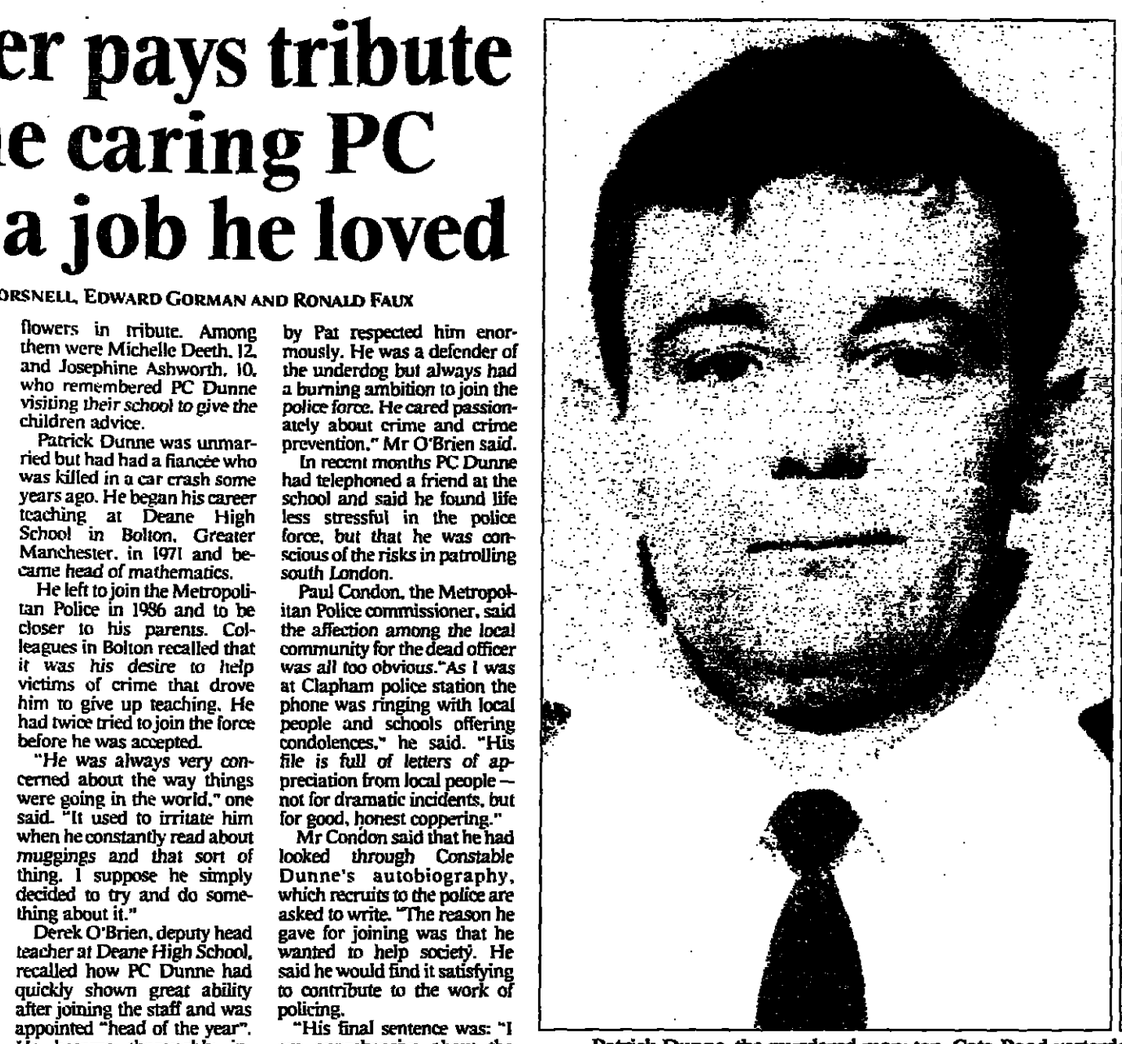
In recent months PC Dunne had telephoned a friend at the school and said he found life less stressful in the police force, but that he was conscious of the risks in patrolling south London.

Paul Condon, the Metropolitan Police commissioner, said the affection among the local community for the dead officer was all too obvious. "As I was at Clapham police station the phone was ringing with local people and schools offering condolences," he said. "His file is full of letters of appreciation from local people — not for dramatic incidents, but for good, honest coppering."

Mr Condon said that he had looked through Constable Dunne's autobiography, which recruits to the police are asked to write. "The reason he gave for joining was that he wanted to help society. He said he would find it satisfying to contribute to the work of policing.

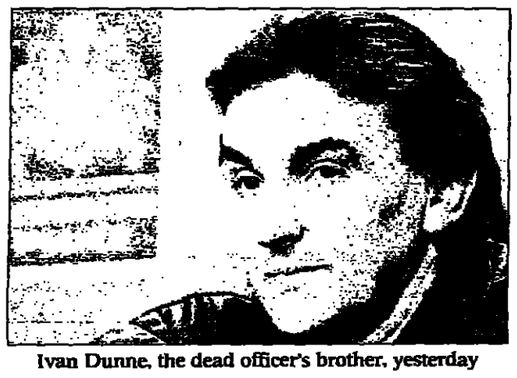
"His final sentence was: "I am apprehensive about the less pleasant aspects of the job, but I hope I will be able to cope satisfactorily with them."

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Patrick Dunne, the murdered man: top, Cato Road yesterday, scene of the shooting; and a car under guard after arrests were made



Ivan Dunne, the dead officer's brother, yesterday

Growing drug violence blurs old distinctions

AT THE FRONTLINE

BY EDWARD GORMAN

PC Patrick Dunne was killed in a relatively "safe" area of south London and in a street not known for drug dealing or violent crime.

That he did so shows that the distinctions Londoners like to make between so-called quiet areas and those regarded as lawless, are becoming increasingly irrelevant in the face of a growth in drug-related violence.

In the area of the shooting yesterday, local people and the dead officer's colleagues from Clapham police station yesterday expressed amazement that he had been shot on Cato Road, just off busy Clapham High Street.

A local estate agent said there had never been tension in the area and few prospective buyers were worried about the level of crime. "This incident is just a one-off," he said.

Barrie Critchley, one of PC Dunne's colleagues who includes Cato in his regular beat, echoed that view. "People speak about drugs and drug-dealing throughout the whole of London. Cato Road is not a notorious road, just a run-of-the-mill London street." However, while Cato and its neat red-brick Edwardian houses — many of them council flats bought by their tenants in recent years — may seem quiet enough, it is within quarter of a mile of one the capital's more notorious "front-line" streets where police and drug-dealers are in continuous confrontation.

Landor Road, connecting Clapham and Brixton, is where PC Dunne's killers may well have been based. It has seen several shootings in recent years and is an area where crack cocaine can be bought from dealers operating from cafes and even laundrettes. One local man said Landor was awash with guns and drugs.

"I wouldn't go down there and try to buy crack if you are white," he said. "On the whole road there's a definite atmosphere; you always feel as if you're about to get mugged. People look at you. They really look at you."

In recent months the police have mounted high-profile raids in an attempt to inhibit the activities of the drug gangs. In July, 90 officers were involved in a raid on a basement premises on the road described by the senior officer in charge as the "epicentre" of drug dealing in the capital. Eight people were arrested and cannabis and offensive weapons recovered.

One resident was quoted at the time as saying: "I am fed up with the drug scene. It should have been finished with a long time ago. The police are doing whatever they can."

In Cato Road, Gary Mason, the former champion boxer who was born on the road and visited his sister there yesterday, said PC Dunne's murder should be seen as a sign of desperate times in the inner city. "I think it heightens things," he said. "It brings it to people's minds. They say 'Hey, things are getting bad out there.'"

Officers oppose arms on the beat

BY STEWART TENDLER, CRIME CORRESPONDENT

ARMING policemen on the beat might not prevent the death of men such as PC Dunne, according to one of the leading experts on police firearms.

Dr P.A.J. Waddington, of Reading University, said yesterday that American evidence showed many officers were shot before they could draw their guns. Even when officers were well trained and ready for an attack, they could still be killed. In the 1980s a member of an Essex firearms team was shot when a man opened fire with a shotgun concealed in a bag.

Britain is one of the few countries — including the Irish Republic and New Zealand — not to arm police on patrol. The founders of modern policing decided in 1829 that the new force should not be armed to prevent antagonism from the public.

Dr Waddington, a former policeman and author of a study of police firearms, said he believed that many officers were more concerned about protection against general assaults and being issued with improved truncheons.

Polls within the police in recent years have shown no appetite for guns. In 1990 a survey of 1,761 officers of all ranks found 86 per cent against general arming. The national conference of the Police Federation opposed wider arming in a debate several years ago and Essex officers turned down such a measure last year. Yesterday John Burrows, chief constable of Essex and outgoing president of the Association of Chief Police Officers, and Paul Condon, commissioner of the Metropolitan police, said they did not think that guns should be issued generally.

The public has not been polled recently but it may be significant that a survey this summer found 79 per cent in favour of new, larger batons.

The number of guns used by the police is probably higher than many realise. Almost every force has armed re-

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sponse vehicles and officers authorised to draw weapons. Each force has tactical firearms units with marksmen trained to respond to sieges or to provide armed escorts. London's armed response vehicles are manned by 75 officers who answered more than 6,000 calls last year.

The shooting of PC Dunne has raised a secondary question of how police should respond to the rise of drug-related crime. This summer Commander John Grieve, head of Scotland Yard's criminal intelligence department, questioned whether the law should change to license certain drugs.

Guns mean status to the new gangs

BY STEWART TENDLER, CRIME CORRESPONDENT

DETECTIVES believe much of the violence surrounding drug dealing on the streets has been generated by the rise during the past six years of armed gangs based on the Jamaican Yardie groups.

Only last month the latest bulletin on crack cocaine sent to all British police forces by the national criminal intelligence service highlighted the serious violence linked to a trade dominated by the Yardies. At least seven forces, covering London, Manchester, Merseyside and much of the Midlands, report that the drug is widely available.

Five years ago an FBI agent from New York warned a British police conference that this country could face the sort of explosion of street violence seen in America unless crack was tackled. Long before the shooting of PC Patrick Dunne, regular shooting incidents linked to drugs and the Yardies were reported in south London.

The Yardies' gangs are loose-knit and bear little relationship to organised crime groups such as the Mafia. They are well established in the United States which has become a supply point for cocaine brought into Britain.

Moving between the Caribbean, the US and Britain using false papers, the Yardies' reputation is based on their readiness to use violence to enforce their status and territory. Earlier this year one Yardie figure was jailed in London after shooting another man in front of several hundred party-goers because of a supposed snub.

In south London last year an operation by Det Supt. John Jones, who is heading the investigation into PC Dunne's murder, uncovered more than 40 shootings in six months. The detectives found at least eight Yardie groups in south London and others have sprung up in northwest and east London.

One detective said the Yardie's were different to traditional criminals. Unlike

THE YARDIES

other criminal groups where an offender may begin with petty robbery or theft and move up the hierarchy to armed robbery, the gang members survive only as long as they have drugs and money. There is no status beyond what they can flaunt.

Their drug operations are financed by armed robberies or the use of stolen credit cards and cheques to buy property which is then sold. The groups come together sometimes drawn by a drug deal and then fall apart again. There is none of the loyalty shown in other criminal groups and some Yardies were prepared to inform on each other.

Street surgery fails to save victim

BY BILL FROST

A MAN shot in the chest near a west London Underground station died yesterday as surgeons tried to save him. The shooting happened in Shepherds Bush shortly after 3pm. The victim, a black man in his mid-20s, was approached by the gunman, who fired a single shot. The killer was also said to be black.

Scotland Yard said last night: "Police believe there was an argument between the suspect and the victim before the victim was shot." Armed officers cordoned off Shepherds Bush Green and a firearms unit surrounded a flat in a road near by. A witness spoke of seeing "someone with a gun" run into the building shortly after the shooting.

The wounded man was taken to Hammersmith hospital by helicopter after an ambulance crew had conducted open chest massage at the scene as "a last resort". He was pronounced dead as surgeons were about to operate.

Thomas Cann, who runs a fruit and vegetable stall opposite the Metropolitan line station, said: "I heard a bang and I first thought it was a hit and run. But I looked over and saw a young black guy lying sprawled in a pool of blood on the pavement. There was a crowd surrounding him, but an ambulance got here very quickly. They spent a long time looking after him and giving him blood."

An estate agency worker said: "The gun used must have been fitted with a silencer, because we're just ten yards from where the shooting took place but didn't hear it. There are crowds all the time, it's very busy and it would be easy to escape." Ambulance crews tried for more than an hour to save the victim. They performed open chest surgery at the scene, cutting through his ribs to massage his heart, and he was given six units of blood.

A witness who refused to be named said the victim had been with a group of men and women. When police tried to help the bleeding victim as he lay dying they "went absolutely mad". The witness said: "The youngsters ran up to the police and were screaming and shouting. The police took them away from the scene because they were hysterical."

Earlier this month a Brazilian man, died after being attacked by a gang in Shepherds Bush. Antonio Campos, 26, an evangelical Christian, was stabbed with a 7in kitchen knife.

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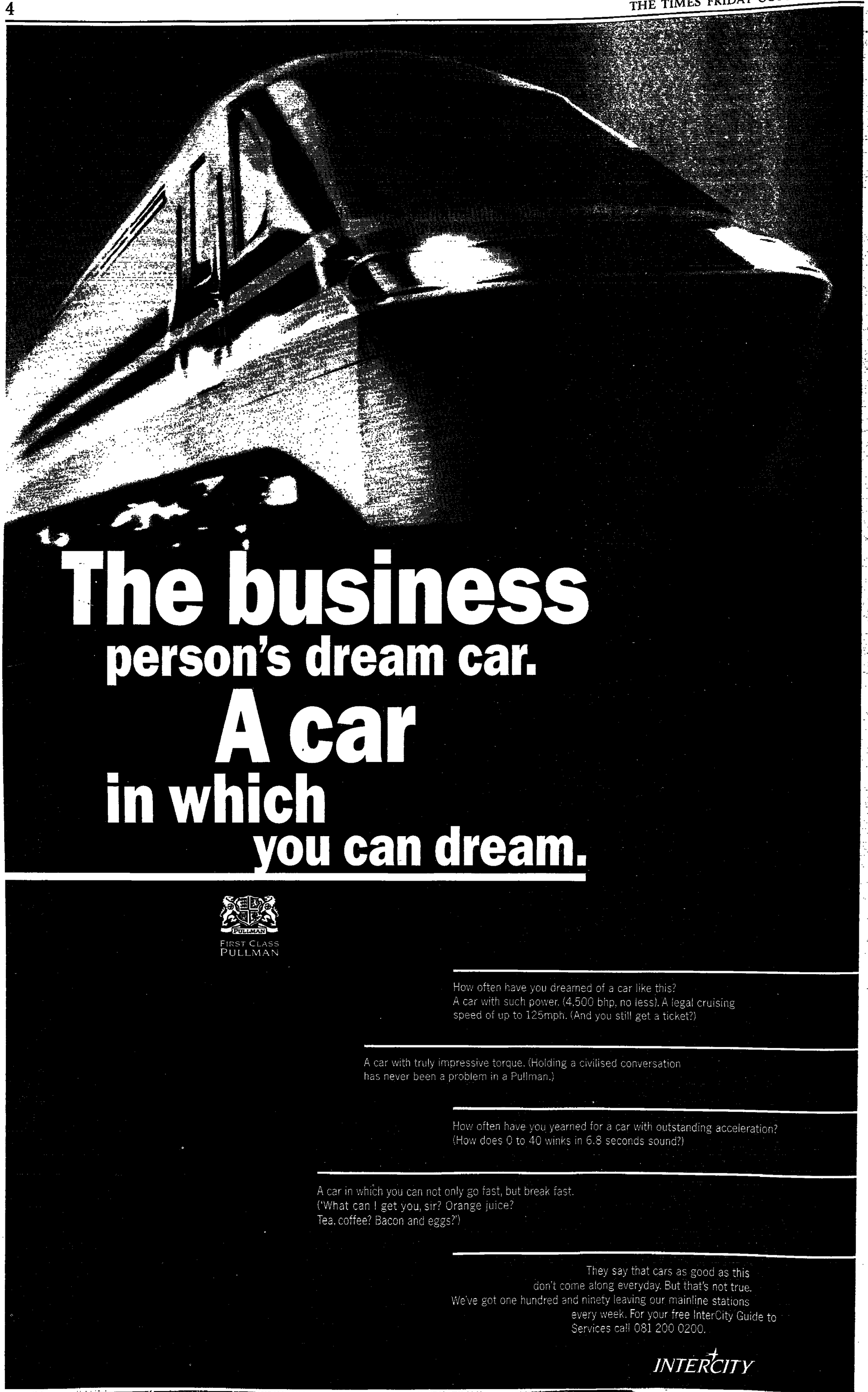
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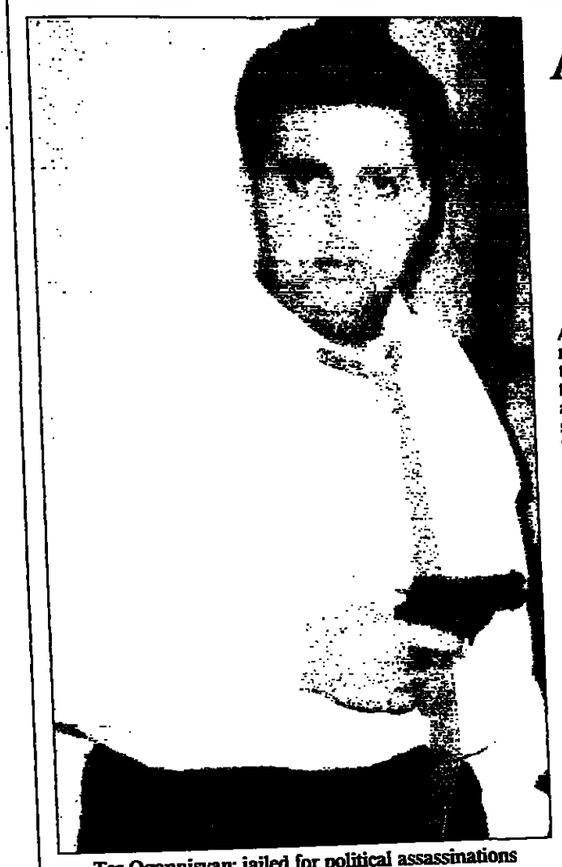
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Ter-Ogannisyan: jailed for political assassinations

Armenian given two life sentences for brothers' murders

By Staff Reporter

AN Armenian interpreter received two life sentences at the Old Bailey yesterday for taking part in the "professional assassinations" of the self-styled prime minister of a rival Russian state and his brother.

Ruslan and Nazerbeck Outsiev were shot three times in the head at point-blank range at their penthouse flat in central London.

Ruslan Outsiev was the second most powerful man in the tiny oil-rich state of Chechenia, part of the former Soviet Union. He was in Britain to negotiate the printing of currency, stamps and passports for the now autonomous state.

However, the Armenian secret service believed he was planning to buy 2,000 Stinger surface-to-air missiles for use against them in their war with Azerbaijan. Azerbaijan and Chechenia are Muslim countries and historical enemies of Christian Armenia.

Ruslan Outsiev was to be assassinated after refusing appeals not to go ahead with the arms deal. Two assassins were supposed to have arrived from America, the court was told. When they failed to arrive, Mkritch Martirossian, an Armenian KGB man in Britain, and Gagic Ter-Ogannisyan, 33, his fellow countryman and friend, were ordered to murder the brothers.

Ter-Ogannisyan's wife, Alison, who works for the BBC, wept in court yesterday as the Armenian was sentenced. He showed no emotion.

Mr Justice Garland said the murders were "professional assassinations". But he said he was persuaded there was "no reason to believe you were the one with his hand on the trigger".

Ruslan Outsiev openly flaunted his wealth on business trips to London. The jury was told that the 38-year-old businessman and his brother Nazerbeck, 20, had up to six prostitutes call at their penthouse in a night.

Ruslan paid £750,000 cash for the flat in central London. He then spent tens of thousands of pounds on its furnishings.

"He obviously had access to large amounts of money and he flaunted it," John Hilton QC, for the prosecution, told the jury.

Martirossian was also charged with murdering the brothers but hanged himself in his cell awaiting trial. He had given a statement giving some details explaining the killings. He told police: "The KGB will not forgive anyone at any time. By talking about these murders now perhaps I am signing a death warrant for my family. It is not difficult to kill a person in Armenia."

Ter-Ogannisyan and Martirossian were caught only by the sharpness of two English workmen who were hired to move Ruslan's body from his flat off Baker Street, central London.

They were told they were transporting a package containing a valuable 17th century statue but became suspicious of the pungent smell coming from the container and called the police, who found Ruslan's corpse.

Although Martirossian denied he was the gunman, it is believed that he pulled the trigger.

Mr Justice Garland told the court that behind Martirossian lurked another shadowy figure — Sarkyssin — "who may have been the organiser sent from Armenia". According to intelligence sources Sarkyssin is an Armenian KGB general.

He arrived in Britain the day after Martirossian was arrested and arranged for snake venom to be sent to Wandsworth prison where he was held — but the package was intercepted by authorities.

Once it was decided to kill Ruslan, it was inevitable the younger brother should die as well, the court heard.



Ruslan, left, and Nazerbeck Outsiev, who were suspected of buying arms

Teachers may need grammar courses

By Ben Preston
Education Correspondent

ENGLISH teachers will require extra training to cope with the demands of teaching a new curriculum that will stress the importance of standard spoken English, grammar and spelling, a senior government adviser said yesterday.

Chris Woodhead, chief executive of the School Curriculum and Assessment Authority, said additional in-service training would be necessary for some primary teachers as he published revised plans for compulsory English lessons. The authority has resisted making significant concessions despite widespread opposition during consultation, particularly from English teachers.

Mr Woodhead said: "The fact is that we can no longer count on the knowledge of grammar among undergraduates. This shows there is a real need to reform the English curriculum."

The report to John Patten, the education secretary, rejects compromise on several issues. It reaffirms that children be required to say the alphabet and read aloud 30 common words by the age of seven. That was opposed by most primary teachers during consultation as too demanding and inviting rote learning.

It also rejects teachers' complaints that a requirement that pupils between 11 and 14 read at least two novels was too prescriptive.

The report attempts to defuse the controversy over the original emphasis on the importance of children learning to speak "correctly" by redefining standard English and giving primary teachers greater flexibility. Accents are said to be acceptable as long as pupils speak clearly and that dialects can contribute to understanding of language.

The proposals are expected to form the basis of English lessons for children aged five to 16 from September 1995.

Gummer drives rural developers back to city

By Nick Nuttall
Environment Correspondent

AN OFFENSIVE against urban sprawl, out-of-town superstores and rural business parks has been launched by the government in the biggest reversal of planning policy for 50 years. A new series of guidelines for planners, developers and inspectors aims to return to high-density, inner-city projects.

The strategy, backed by energy taxes, is being developed by John Gummer, the environment secretary, as part of an initiative to curb the increase in traffic and pollution. Its main themes emerged at a conference in London yesterday.

Studies for the environment and transport departments show that car journeys and emissions of carbon dioxide could be curbed by pushing developers back towards the hubs of public transport networks. Out-of-town schemes are already being rejected by planners on the grounds that they will increase car use.

Nick De Lotbinière, a partner at the international property consultants Grimley J.R. Eve, said that the strategy could lead to more high-rise flats and offices and a sharp rise in the prices of urban property and derelict land. It should also help to preserve the rural landscape.

The policy switch, to be unveiled formally at the end of the year when Britain publishes its sustainable development plan, follows the United Nations Earth Summit in Rio last year.

Driving the strategy is a report compiled for the two departments by Ecotec Research and Consulting and Transportation Planning Associates. It shows that people in densely populated areas travel the least miles per week by car. It concludes that the most energy-efficient town is one of 50,000 people with a range of job opportunities and public transport.

Sabotage mission was 'costly failure'

By Michael Dynes, Whitehall Correspondent

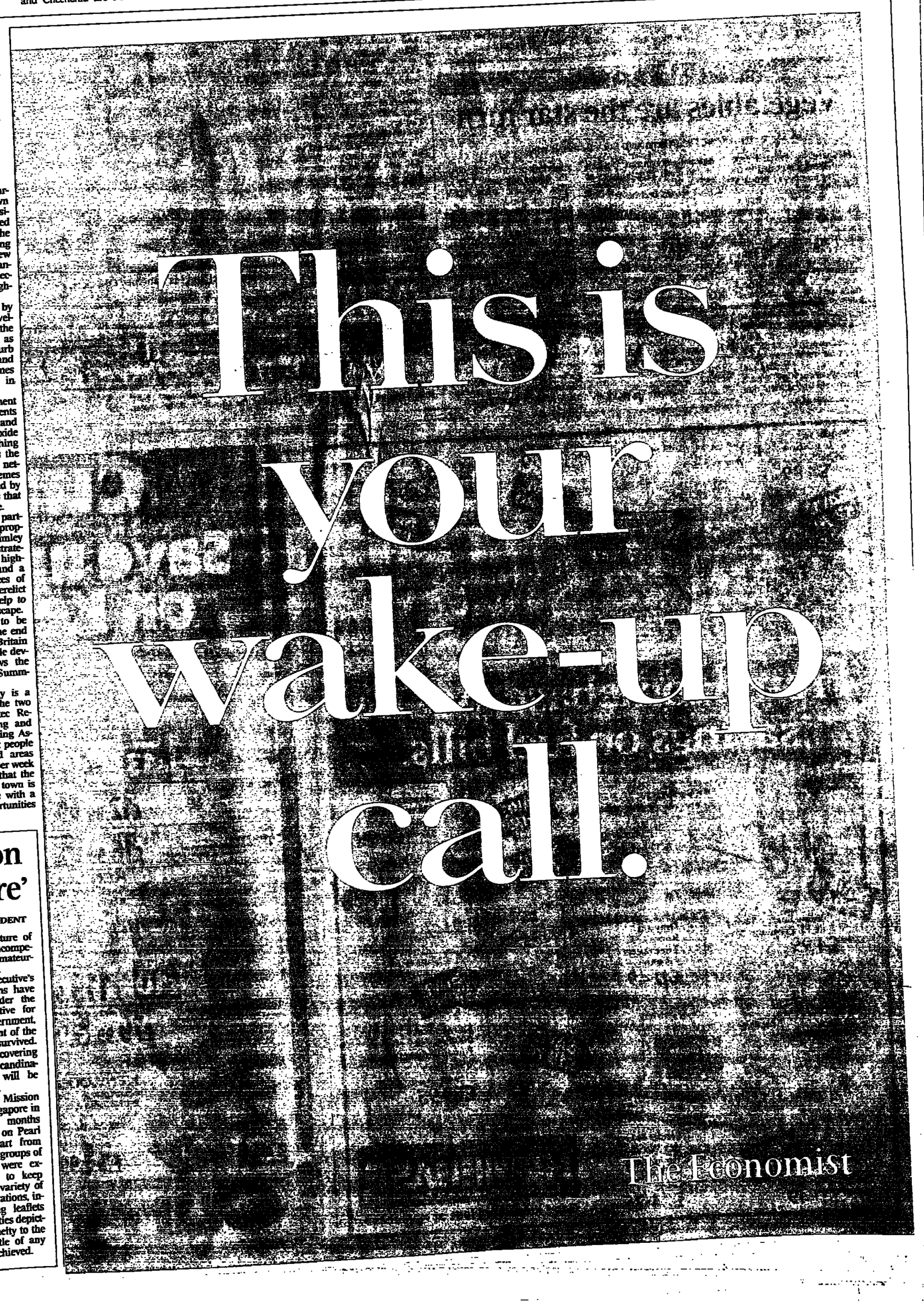
BRITAIN'S attempts to establish a wartime sabotage organisation to harass Japanese activities in the Far East was "an expensive and substantial failure", secret documents released at the Public Record Office yesterday show.

The Oriental Mission of the Special Operations Executive, the clandestine sabotage organisation created by the war cabinet in 1940 to foment resistance movements behind enemy lines, suffered from "many plans, much talk, but little performance", the papers reveal.

The mission failed to set up effective stay-behind networks to harass Japanese military activities in Malaya. Those that were set up were rendered almost useless because of a shortage of radio equipment; and the mission's few successes were secured "at an exorbitant cost". The papers paint a picture of organisational incompetence, rivalry and amateurish field operations.

Records of the executive's Far East operations have been released under the Waldegrave initiative for greater open government, but only 13 per cent of the documents have survived. Further papers, covering SOE activities in Scandinavia and Africa, will be released next year.

The Oriental Mission was set up in Singapore in May 1941, seven months before the attack on Pearl Harbor. But apart from infiltrating small groups of saboteurs, who were extremely difficult to keep supplied, and a variety of propaganda operations, including dropping leaflets on Indonesian cities depicting Japanese cruelty to the natives, very little of any substance was achieved.



Staff lost control of showpiece prison before riot erupted

By Bill Frost

■ Bullying, vandalism, assaults, drugs and a gangland culture brought Wymott to anarchy, says the chief inspector of prisons

STAFF at Wymott prison knew there was the risk of a serious disturbance well in advance of the riot that left the showpiece Lancashire jail in *ruins last month*.

In a damning report on the violence, Judge Stephen Tumim, chief inspector of prisons, yesterday emphasised the inadequate security precautions that had enabled "volatile" and anarchic inmates to take over the jail and cause damage estimated at £20 million.

When the riot began, only seven trained officers were in charge of 750 prisoners. At the height of the disturbance on September 6, hundreds of inmates were roaming the wings setting light to cells. Before they were pacified Wymott, in Leyland, was reduced to a ruined shell.

"A disturbing feature of this enquiry is that it was generally known that there was the risk of a major incident," Judge Tumim said. "Wymott ... was no more than an open prison with a fence around it and, as such, wholly inadequate for the majority of young and volatile inner-city men it was receiving."

The jail was "very close to anarchy" in the run-up to the riot, he added. "Drugs were readily available in the prison and night staff were often verbally abused and attacked with missiles."

His inspection found a "world of drugs, drug-dealing and bullying", with violent gangs intimidating other inmates and turning parts of the prison into no-go areas for warders. "A culture had developed at Wymott where normal relationships between prisoners and staff no longer existed."

Judge Tumim said the cause of the riot, "to which all other causes relate", was the allocation of prisoners needing a higher level of control than staff could offer in Wymott's open design, which allowed inmates to roam free at night within 24-room "spurs".

In the three weeks before the riot, Wymott received 249 new prisoners, half of whom were under 25 and from inner-city areas of Manchester and Liverpool, overwhelming the reception process which was geared to coping with 40 new inmates a week. They included one said to be a leading heroin dealer. Judge Tumim quotes one man as describing Wymott then as the most "frightening" and "barbaric" place he had ever experienced.

Judge Tumim said: "The history of Wymott is in the end a story of lost control. Given the extreme levels of bullying, intimidation, vandalism, assaults, misuse of drugs and the imported influence of a 'gangland' culture, the prison service duty of care towards inmates cannot be exercised without greater control."

Stephen Shaw, director of the Prison Reform Trust, yesterday warned the Home Office that it ignored the Wymott report at its peril.

Pigeons to go after 150 years at the top

By John Young

A FRESH attempt to protect the statues in Trafalgar Square from pigeon droppings was announced by Peter Brooke, the national heritage secretary, on the 150th anniversary yesterday of the completion of Nelson's Column.

A special gel which, it is hoped, will discourage the birds from landing is one of a series of measures intended to make the square more attractive to visitors. They also include new lighting in the square and surrounding streets, and the introduction of street performers.

Mr Brooke eschewed any attempt to get rid of birds altogether, in the light of past failures such as Westminster City Council's defeat by the starlings of Leicester Square. "They are an undoubted tourist attraction, and as much a part of the atmosphere as the pigeons in St Mark's Square, in Venice," he said.

A large scale refurbishment of Trafalgar Square, costing some £2.5 million, was carried out between 1987 and 1989, and included cleaning and repairing Nelson's Column. He said the lighting scheme was expected to cost £150,000, but the government would seek contributions from the city council and the owners of surrounding buildings, such as the National Gallery, Canada House and South Africa House.

The square was laid out by Sir Charles Barry between 1840 and 1843 to commemorate the naval victory. The work was concluded by the hoisting of Nelson to the top of his column; Sir Edwin Landseer's lions were added in 1867.

Seen in perspective, pigeons are a minor element in the tumultuous history of the square, which from its earliest days was seen as an ideal place for demonstrations, beginning with the Chartists. Resentment of the police and the growing state power they represented, exploded in the Trafalgar Square riots of 1887.

Since the end of the second world war it has been the scene of many such gatherings, ranging across the political spectrum. In March 1990 violence again erupted with poll tax riots, and during the long years of apartheid a 24-hour vigil was mounted outside South Africa House.

There have also been more cerebral disputes over the reconstruction of Grand Buildings, on the southeast corner of the square, and the "monstrous carbuncle" extension to the National Gallery.

Since 1947, a giant Christmas tree, the gift of the people of Oslo, has been erected annually. New Year's eve celebrations have attracted ever greater throngs and in 1983 two women were trampled to death. Besides Nelson, the square's statues include those of Charles I, James II, George Washington and Generals Napier and Havelock. On the northeast corner is a statue of George IV, but the corresponding plinth in the northwest corner awaits an occupant. Mr Brooke indicated yesterday that a suitable candidate had yet to be found.

MICHAEL POWELL



Reg Docel and his daughter Lisa clean droppings from Nelson's Column

WEEKEND SHOPPING

Vegetables are the star turn

By Giovanna Dell'Orto and Lucy Berrington

THIS week is National Vegetarian Week, dedicated to the growing number of people — more than one in ten last year — who claim to eat a mainly vegetarian diet. Their best buy is carrots. Britain's second favourite vegetable, at 12p-25p a lb. There is also good value in leeks (35p-70p a lb), Brussels sprouts (25p-35p a lb), and cauliflowers (25p-60p each).

Quality is high and prices stable on the fish counters. Safeway is launching a range of speciality fish, including langoustine (£1.99 for 300g), mullet fillets (£2.99 for 270g) and scallops (£4.99 for 350g).

Mussels remain an excellent buy at £2 for 2kg and native oysters at 50p-80p each. Oil-rich fish are at their best, especially herrings at 75p-£1 a lb and Loch Fyne kippers at £1.25 a lb.

Advertised best buys:

Asda: fresh beef braising steak £2.49 a lb; stuffed chicken 89p a lb; fresh turkey sausage £1.49 a lb; Conference pears 59p a lb.

Co-op: quorn £1.99 a pack; Kellogg's Frosties £1.45 for 500g; red potatoes 69p for 2.5kg; Spartan apples 29p a lb.

Gateway: fresh beef rump steak £2.98 a lb; Danish Blue cheese £1.89 a lb; carrots 9p a lb; swede 9p a lb; black grapes 29p a lb.

Harrods: Spegal carp £2.10 a lb; Epoisses Burgundy Vache Cru cheeses £5.50 each; baby kiwi £6 a lb.

Iceland: spare rib chops £1.99 a lb; chicken portions £2.99 for 5lb; boned kippers £1.99 for 680g; gigantic pizza £1.99; cherry pie 99p for 1.5lb.

Safeway: boneless pork leg £1.14 a lb; lamb chops £2.38 a lb; frozen luxury pizza 89p for 420g; Russet apples 39p a lb; Heineken, £2.69 for 4x440ml.

Sainsbury: fresh stewing steak £1.47 a lb; frozen peas £1.39 for 2kg; cabbage 14p a lb; Cox's apples 38p a lb.

Tesco: fresh neck of lamb £2.99 a lb; frozen prawns £2.99 for 400g; whole salmon £2.18 a lb; satsumas 88p for 2lb; Brussels sprouts 29p a lb.

Waitrose: pork chipolatas 69p for 8; haddock fillets £2.69 each; King Edward potatoes 85p for 2.5kg, medium pineapple 89p; black figs 29p each.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Girl hit by train on crossing

A girl had her right leg severed when she was hit by an express train while crossing the track on a pedestrian level crossing yesterday.

Lucy Ottaway, 17, of Crowthorne, Berkshire, had just got off a train at unmanned Farnborough North station, Hampshire, on her way to Farnborough Technical College when the accident happened.

The limb, believed to have been severed just above the ankle, was retrieved by police and Miss Ottoway underwent emergency surgery. An enquiry has begun.

Murder charge

Bryan Carter, 31, unemployed of no fixed address, will appear before West London magistrates today charged with the murder of Lise-Lore Hartling, 22, who was strangled at her bedsit in Shepherd's Bush, west London, in August.

Bridge ruling

Clifton suspension bridge at Bristol will not be closed to walkers, the trustees have decided. They have also ruled out fencing in the walkway or netting under the bridge which has been the scene of several suicides.

Man accused

Bradley Scott, 20, of Illogan, Cornwall, was charged yesterday with the murder of Dona-Marie Lindsay, 18, who was found stabbed to death in a bungalow in the village on Wednesday.

Home for book

The original manuscript of Professor Stephen Hawking's *A Brief History of Time* has been donated by his college, Gonville and Caius, to the Cambridge University Library.

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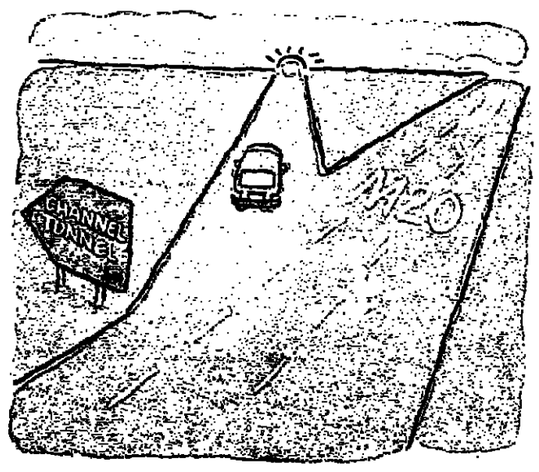
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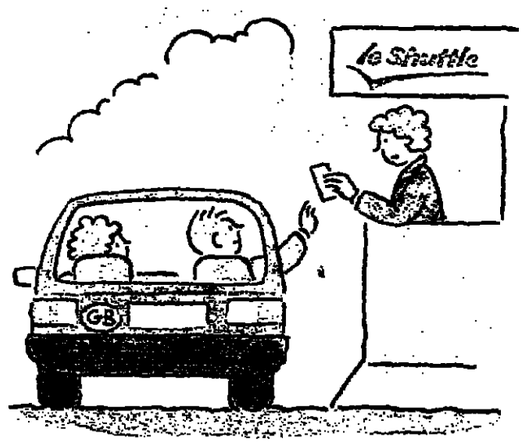
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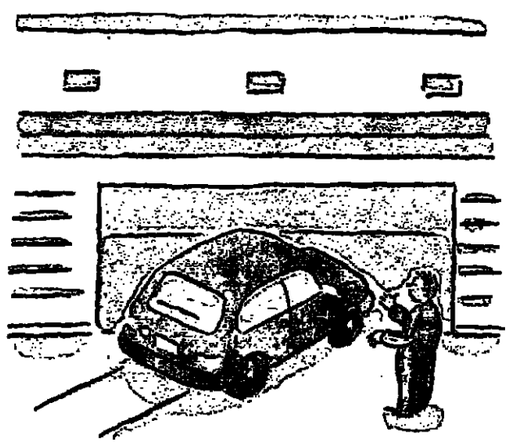
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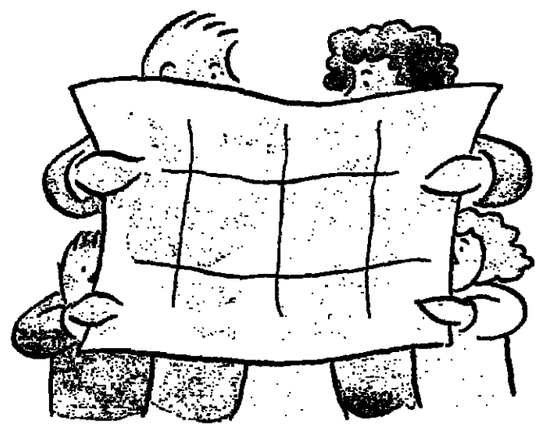
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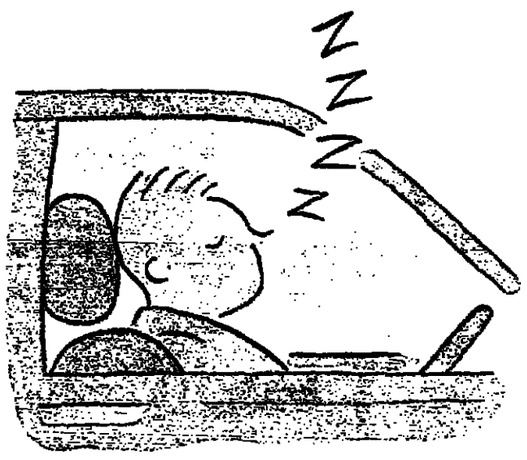
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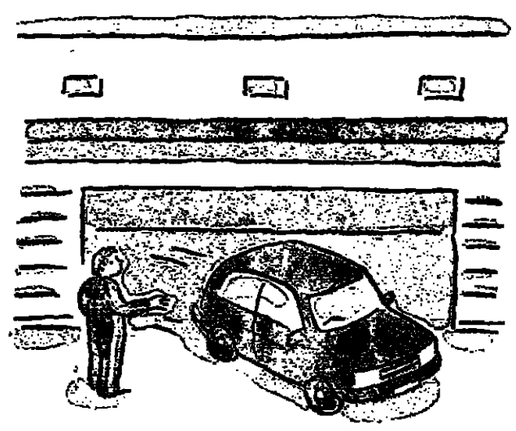
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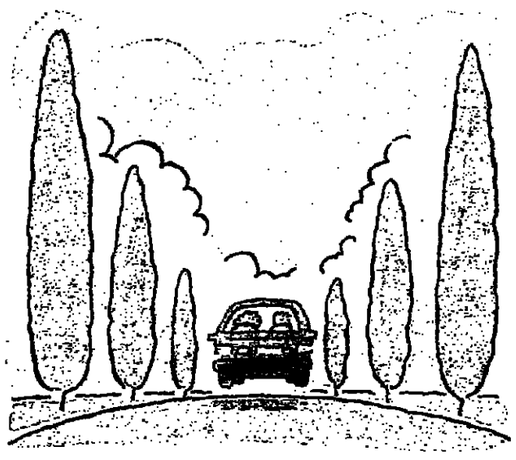
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Draw gives Kasparov victory and £1m

BY DANIEL JOHNSON

THE TIMES WORLD CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

GARRY Kasparov was last night presented with the Times World Chess championship trophy after a draw in the 20th game gave the world champion outright victory in the series.

In a short ceremony, Peter Stothard, editor of *The Times*, handed over the knight-shaped trophy, made of Waterford Crystal, and the cheque for more than £1 million to Kasparov. Short received £650,000 and a Waterford Crystal vase as consolation prize.

Earlier in the game Nigel Short used the advantage of the White pieces to put Garry Kasparov under severe pressure but was eventually unable to press home his early advantage.

Kasparov, who had already retained his title by achieving an unassailable lead of 12-7 in the 24-game match, needed only a draw to clinch the lion's share of the £1.7 million prize fund.

However, the Russian world champion seemed to be suffering from exhaustion after seven weeks of mental combat, and evidently found it hard to work up enthusiasm for the game.

Short, by contrast, had everything to play for. Once again facing the Sicilian Defence, Najdorf Variation, against which Short scored his solitary victory last week, the British challenger knew that last night's game would be the last of the match unless he could summon up the inspiration to inflict a second defeat on Kasparov.

There was visible excitement in the audience at the Savoy Theatre and among the grandmaster commentators as Kasparov paused after Short's 14th move and, scowling at the board, thought about his reply for over 40 minutes.

The game was interrupted for 30 minutes after a faulty fire alarm went off and the theatre had to be cleared. On resumption, Short had two menacing White bishops with the Black king in their sights, but Kasparov's position was solid and he threatened to launch a queenside flank attack with his pawns. However, by move 19 Short had built up a time advantage of over half an hour, and appeared to be swinging his rooks into the attack.

Over in the grandmaster analysis room, the mood was at first sombre, with few experts prepared to predict anything other than an uneventful draw. But once Kasparov sank into deep thought, the grandmasters — which included Michael Adams, the British number two — became more sanguine about Short's chances. After 21 moves Short had the slightly freer position, but the general simplification which had occurred, combined with the solidity of Kasparov's structure indicated that a draw was the likely result.

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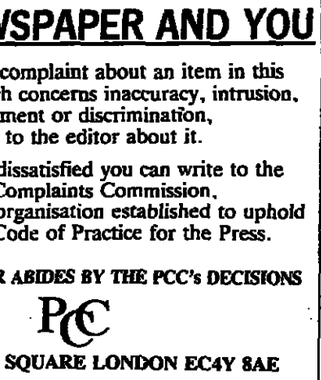
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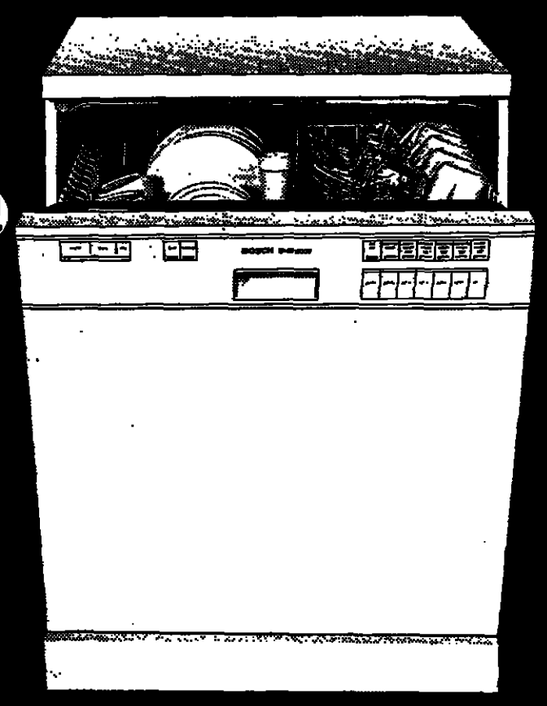
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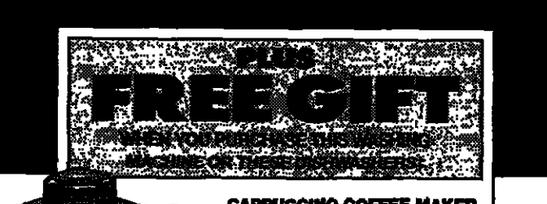
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A flexible approach to bargain hunting cuts the cost of air travel

Tourists take the discount trail

By Sara McConnell and Rose Wild

CREDIT card companies are offering cardholders hundreds of pounds off the cost of holidays in an attempt to encourage more people to pay for their travels with plastic.

Spending on travel and holidays accounts for nearly 20 per cent of all credit card turnover, partly because of holidaymakers' enthusiasm for cheap holidays. Special offers for cardholders are now so widespread that paying the full price for a holiday is increasingly rare.

Stores, hoteliers, petrol stations and others have all joined in, offering discounts and promotions by encouraging customers to build up points, air miles or simply add up their till receipts to cut the cost of a holiday. All are keen to encourage brand loyalty in an increasingly competitive market.

Holders of Barclaycards and cards from the Co-operative Bank, the Halifax building society, the Midland bank, the Leeds Permanent building society and the Royal Bank of Scotland can all get discounts of up to £600 by using their card to pay for their holiday deposit and travel insurance. Leaflets on display in branches and included with statements give lists of tour operators prepared to offer discounts to cardholders.

> 'Some companies offering holiday promotions could find themselves overwhelmed by demand, as Hoover discovered just last year'

Customers can obtain the brochures they want, make a note of flight and hotel codes and telephone a hotline number supplied by the credit card company to claim their discount. This can also be done by post.

Barclays, the largest card issuer, was the first to introduce such discounts in the mid-1980s and was quickly followed by others. Its scheme, called the Barclays Holiday Club, is open to its 8.8 million customers and is operated by Page & Moy, the travel agent and a Barclays subsidiary. It works slightly differently from some schemes as its discounts come in the form of a refund cheque which can be used as "holiday money".

Holidaymakers can get holiday money of between £20 and £500, depending on the price of their trip. As an example, two adults taking a Caribbean cruise with Norwegian Cruise Line for a week in July would have received £225 spending money off the £3,268 price. Two adults and two children going to Orlando, Florida, in September with Thomson Holidays would have got £80 spending money off the £1,758 price. Barclays was this year expecting to give away £5 million in spending money in this way.

Other card issuers offering discounts simply deduct them from the price of the holiday. The Royal Bank of Scotland has some of the most generous discounts, offering a maximum of £600 off the package when cardholders book through selected tour operators and arrange their holiday through the bank's holiday club. Cardholders have to pay at least the deposit using their Royal Bank of Scotland card.

The Co-operative Bank's Visa Travel Club, open to all holders of its Gold Card, Classic Visa and Robert Owen cards, offers discounts of up to £500 on holidays booked with a card through most tour operators who are members of the Association of British Travel Agents (ABTA). Again, cardholders only have to pay the deposit and insurance using their card to qualify.

To obtain the maximum £500 discount from the Halifax building society's holiday service, customers have to buy a package costing £8,500. However, those buying cheaper holidays still qualify for discounts by using their Visa or Maxim Switch debit card for the deposit and insurance. They can book holidays through a range of tour operators including Thomson Airtours, Cosmos, Sunworld, Kuoni, P&O, Butlins and Falcon.

The air miles scheme also allows people to obtain holiday discounts. However, the promotion has a wider application and points can be built up, not only by using credit cards but also through retailers, petrol stations, hotels and airlines. More than 100 outlets offer the scheme and, when enough air miles have been collected, they can be cashed in through Air Miles, a company in which British Airways has a majority stake.

National Westminster's Access cardholders registered for air miles earn one air mile for every £20 spent. A flight to Paris costs 450 air miles, a flight to New York, 6,800, and a flight to Sydney 20,000. Customers registered for air miles at Shell can claim two air miles for every 25 litres of fuel or one litre of oil.

Every £10 spent on wine, beer, sparkling wine or champagne at the 117 Wine Rack chain earns customers two airmiles. Customers buying a Nokia 121 mobile phone from Cellnet will be awarded 550 air miles, while similar awards are offered by Hertz car hire, Hilton and Marriott Hotels and British Airways itself.

British Airways is also running a promotion with Sainsbury's supermarkets, in which people able to produce till receipts of £5 or more from Sainsbury's, Homebase or Savacentre can build up discounts on the price of flights and holidays. Till receipts dated between September 5 and November 28 can be put towards vouchers giving savings on regular fares to more than 150 destinations, and reductions on British Airways Holidays' Worldwide, America, Gold and City Breaks brochures. Five people can travel on the same application.

A customer who spends £20.84 a week for the 12 weeks of the promotion could fly to Barcelona for £97.20 return, saving 40 per cent of the £162 return fare. With receipts worth £600, the world traveller fare to Auckland of £1,165 is reduced by 30 per cent to £815.50. Totals exclude cashback, gift vouchers and purchases from Sainsbury's coffee shops, restaurants and petrol stations.

However, the Association of British Travel Agents sounds a note of caution about all such schemes. A spokesman said: "While there are quite a large number of schemes which are bona fide, others should be treated with caution. These are the ones which say that you have won a holiday. You are likely to find yourself paying a £50 administration fee plus £150 to the organiser, plus flight tickets.

"You could find that a package holiday would have been cheaper. Sometimes the holiday turns out to be a timeshare. Or else you've won free flights but you have to pay for accommodation and the only accommodation is very highly priced."

He also warned companies seeking to promote holiday discounts that they could be taken for a ride by travel companies which turn out to have disappeared or gone out of business when the time comes to give out the holiday tickets.

Alternatively, companies offering promotions could be overwhelmed, as Hoover, the electrical goods company, discovered last year. It offered free flights to destinations in Europe and the US to anyone buying an appliance costing £100 or more.

Many customers bought appliances especially to take advantage of this offer and were left waiting for several months as Hoover struggled to fulfil its promise.

ANDY WATTS



Special promotions mean the best holiday bargains are not always to be found in travel agents' windows

TRAVEL BARGAINS

Millions get big reductions in holiday prices

By Harvey Elliott and Marianne Curphey

MILLIONS of business and leisure travellers are making a mockery of the published prices of airlines, hotels and tour operators and forcing reductions of up to 70 per cent in "official" rates.

American Express, one of the biggest travel management organisations, says 58 per cent of companies have negotiated a discount or special rate from their travel supplier — double the number in 1989.

Because travel management companies have such enormous marketing power they can negotiate lower rates with airlines, hotels and car hire companies. Thomas Cook Travel Management says it can guarantee to cut hotel rates by at least 50 per cent for the growing number of businesses now using its services.

Even bucket shops, now dwindling in importance as discounting becomes an established practice, are openly boasting of their ability to cut business and leisure air fares.

Riaz Dooley, self-styled "king" of the bucket shops, says he can cut the cost of flying first class from London to Los Angeles from £4,358 to £1,790. He said: "The major airlines have kept these huge discounts on first and club class a cosy secret for a long time."

Tony Russell of Trailfinders, the market leader in long-haul air fare discounts, said it would be madness for anyone wanting to fly to Asia or Australia to pay the full price. "A few years ago there were no discounts on first and business class travel, but now it is widespread."

Because of increased airline competition between London and South Africa, Trailfinders can offer a return fare of £451 to Johannesburg with two free flights within South Africa included until the end of next month.

Traditional late-availability holiday deals were less in evidence this summer as tour operators matched demand to supply far more accurately, having had their fingers burnt the previous year. Thomas Cook said, however, that operators and airlines still needed to fill gaps in hotels and on jets one week before departure. A spokesman said: "For less flexible travellers, the early-booking market in September when travel agents tout special offers for holidays the following summer can offer attractive deals.

"Just after Christmas is another good time. Companies dealing in long-haul holidays often throw in three weeks for the price of two in their January reprint, or include free car hire."

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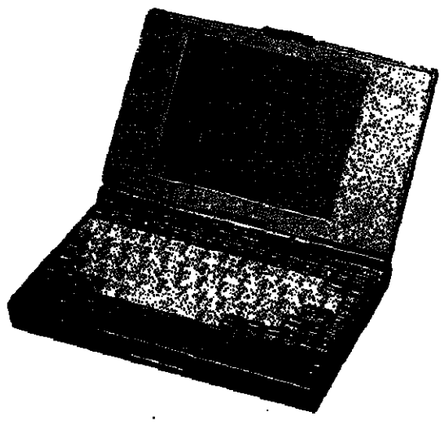
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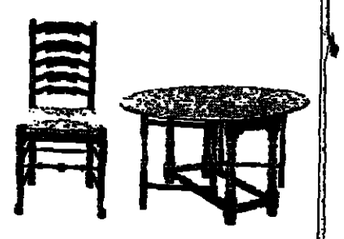
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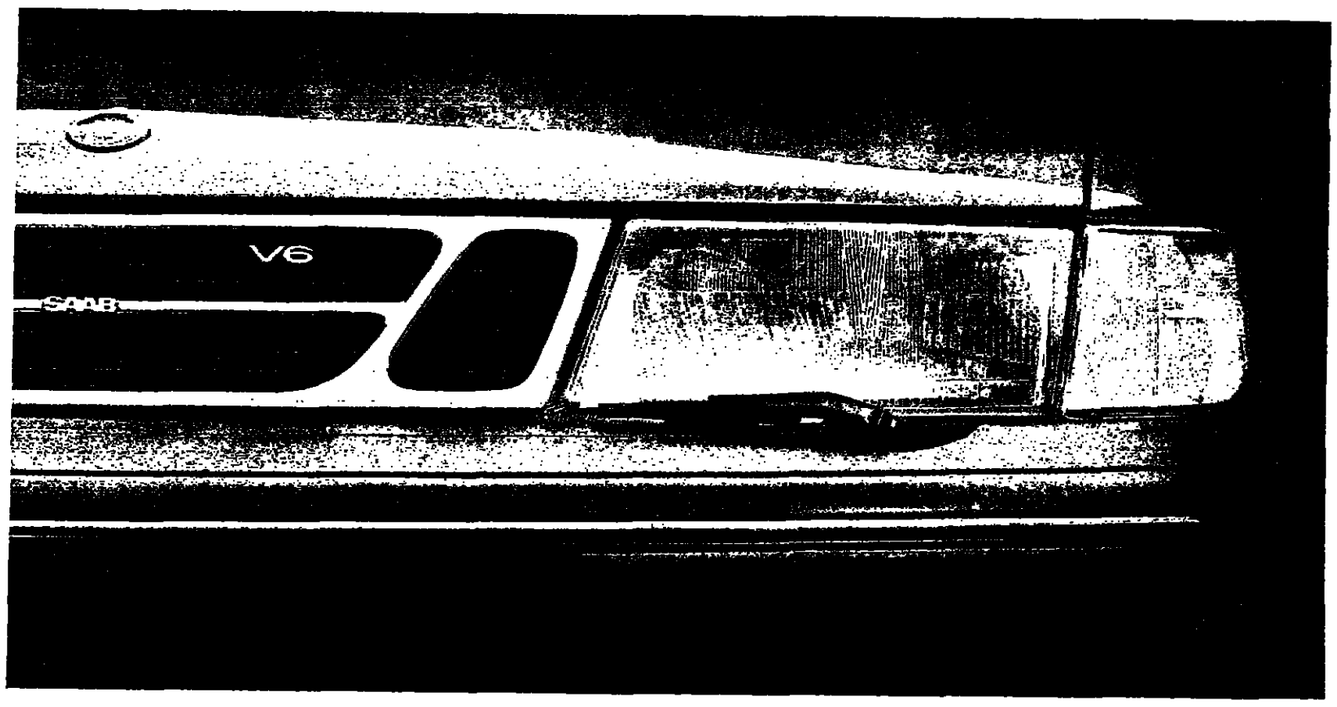
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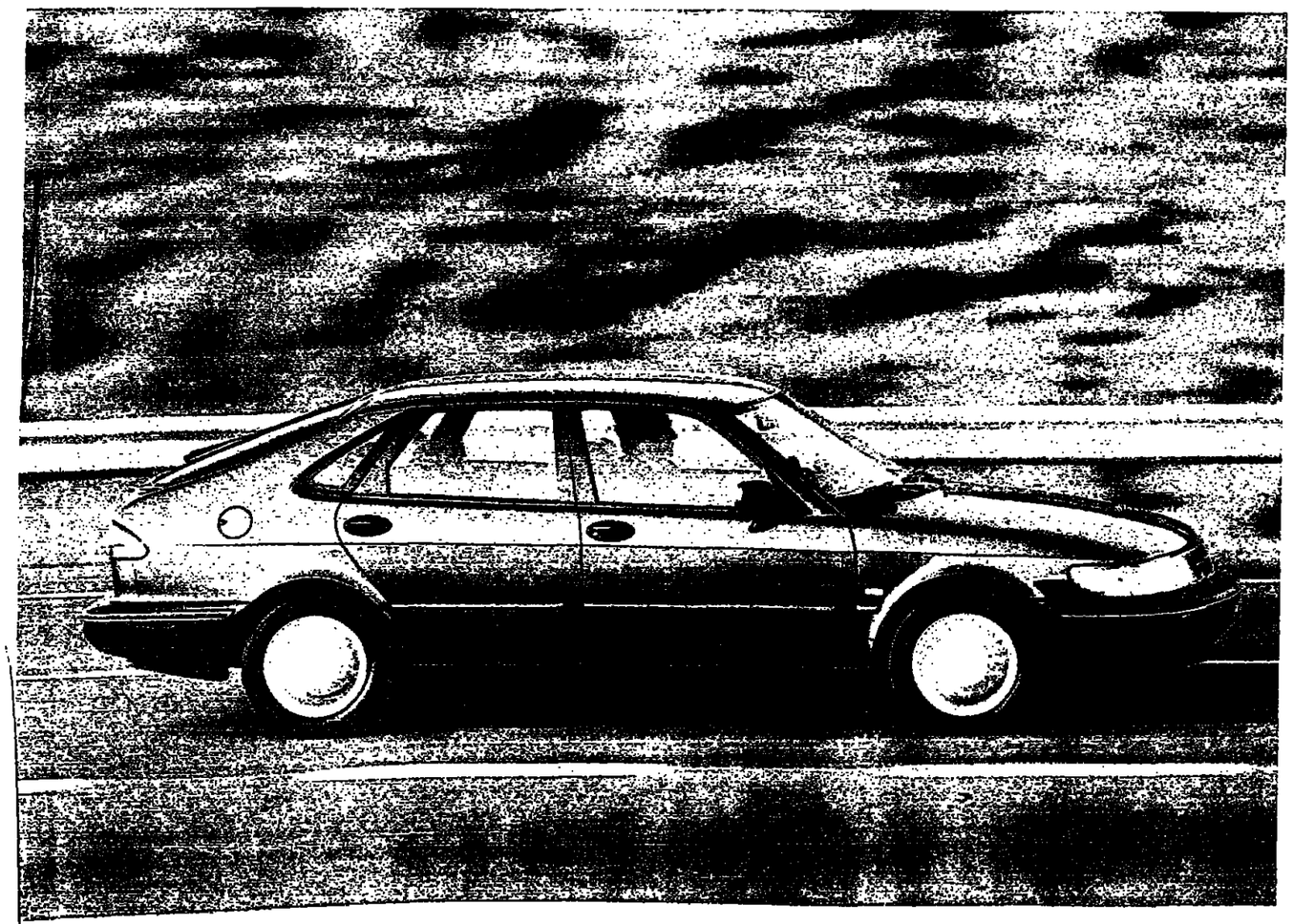
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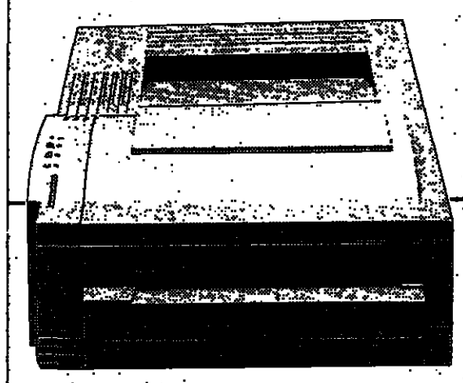
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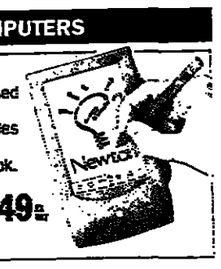
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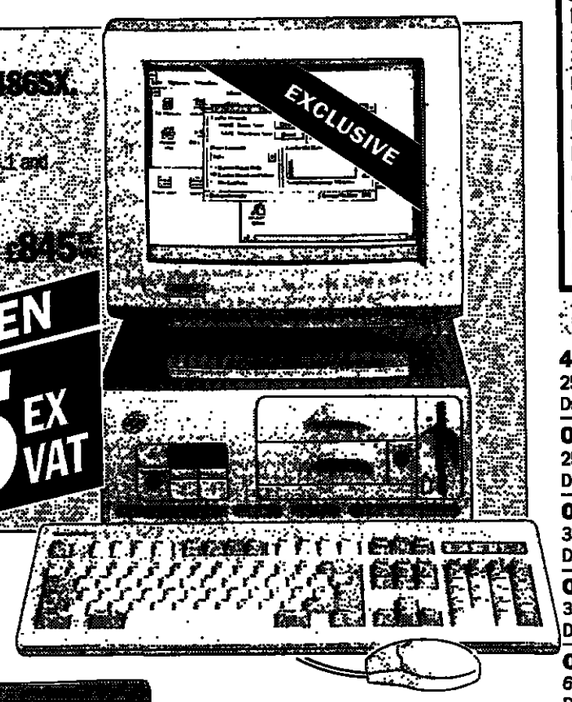
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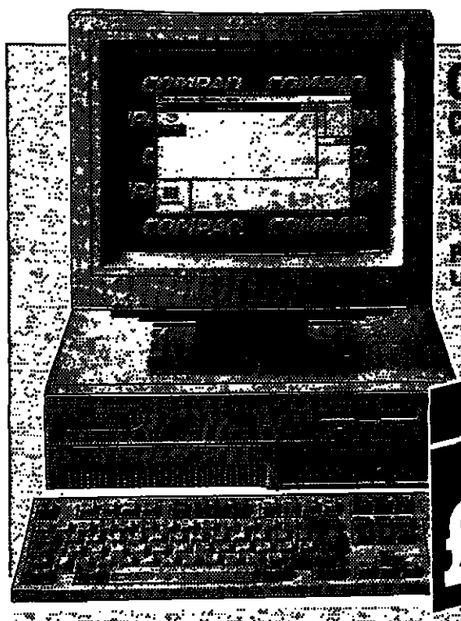
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Mayhew not ready for talks on Ulster

BY JONATHAN PRYNN
POLITICAL REPORTER

SIR Patrick Mayhew, the Northern Ireland secretary, yesterday ruled out an early resumption of round-the-table talks for the main political parties in Ulster.

Answering questions in the Commons yesterday, Sir Patrick said the government was continuing to conduct bilateral discussions with the Northern Ireland parties, except Sinn Fein. "To assemble around a table again immediately would be counter-productive," he said.

The latest round of "talks about talks", which has been going on since the late summer, is believed to be addressing detailed practical issues such as the size of delegations and the format for future meetings. In previous rounds of talks most progress has been made during small, informal gatherings rather than the formal sessions.

Little is known about the state of progress of the talks, which have been conducted for the government by Michael Ancram, a junior minister at the Northern Ireland office. Reference may be made to the discussions during today's Commons debate.

The last round of formal talks broke down in November last year after the inconclusive general election in Ireland and local elections in Ulster. Sir Patrick said yesterday all parties were agreed on the need for further dialogue.

He would not be drawn on reports about the contents of the Hume-Adams peace plan. "It would be unwise of me to speculate," he said.



Mayhew: "not the time to get round the table"

Smith ignores MPs by keeping women in shadow posts

BY JILL SHERMAN, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

JOHN Smith blatantly ignored the views of Labour MPs yesterday and kept the party's top women in their jobs despite their poor showing in the shadow cabinet elections.

He rewarded John Prescott's vigorous performance at Brighton and his rise in the polls by allowing him to swap jobs with Frank Dobson. Mr Prescott from transport to take over the employment portfolio.

Mr Smith cocked a snook at the men who had plotted to minimise the number of women on the shadow cabinet by reappointing Harriet Harman as shadow chief Treasury secretary and keeping Ann Taylor in her job at education. Ms Harman was ousted from the shadow cabinet on Wednesday night and Mrs Taylor's vote dropped from the previous year. Both women have come under heavy criticism for their performances in their respective posts and it was widely rumoured that they would be moved even if they were re-elected.

Mr Smith was determined not to be bullied by the party, particulary as he had to intervene personally to ensure that MPs voted for four women candidates. The shadow cabinet results, which led to only three women being elected, amounted to a personal slap in the face.

The shadow Treasury team rallied round Ms Harman yesterday after speculation by some MPs that she was going to be replaced by Marjorie Mowlam. That appointment would have been strongly resisted by the Treasury team led by Gordon Brown.

A senior Labour official said that the decision to keep Ms Harman as shadow chief secretary reflected Mr Smith's appreciation of her talents. "It's a vote of confidence in her. He believes she is an important person now and in the future."

The decision will irritate many MPs who believe that Ms Harman has been ineffective over the past year and has never grasped her brief at the Treasury. "Give her any brief but an economic one," said one MP.

Ms Mowlam, who came fifth in the poll, moves from her post as spokeswoman on the Citizen's Charter and women's rights to shadow national heritage secretary. The previous incumbent, Ann Clwyd, failed to win re-election to the shadow cabinet but is expected to get a high-profile frontbench job, possibly European affairs.

George Robertson, who had that job, enters the shadow cabinet for the first time, as shadow Scottish secretary. Joan Lestor, who returns to the shadow cabinet after a short break, takes up the children and family portfolio, which she has had before.

Tom Clarke moves from the Scottish job to overseas development and Clare Short, who narrowly missed being elected, takes over responsibility for women's issues. Jack Cunningham stays in one of the top posts, as shadow foreign secretary, despite polling the lowest number of votes. Michael Meacher switches from overseas development to the Citizen's Charter. The other senior posts remain unchanged.

Mr Dobson will add a London portfolio to his transport role. The leadership is said to be concerned about the party's failure to draw up a coherent London policy this year. A policy document on the city was rejected before the party conference.

The new shadow cabinet: **John Smith**, Opposition leader; **Margaret Beckett**, deputy leader and shadow leader of the House; **Gordon Brown**, Treasury and economic affairs; **Dr Jack Cunningham**, Foreign and Commonwealth affairs; **Tony Blair**, home affairs; **Robin Cook**, trade and industry; **David Blunkett**, health; **John Prescott**, employment; **Frank Dobson**, transport and London; **David Clark**, defence; **Jack Straw**, environment; **Chris Smith**, environmental protection; **Michael Meacher**, Citizen's Charter; **Donald Dewar**, social security; **Ron Davies**, Wales; **Tom Clarke**, overseas aid; **Ann Taylor**, education; **George Robertson**, Scotland; **Joan Lestor**, children and the family.

Four appointments were announced outside the shadow cabinet: **Clare Short**, women; **Harriet Harman**, chief secretary to the Treasury; **Gavin Strang**, food, agriculture and rural affairs; **Kevin McNamara**, Northern Ireland.

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Belated recognition for a backbench heroine

BY ALICE THOMSON
POLITICAL REPORTER

AFTER Harriet Harman and Ann Clwyd were given the thumbs-down by Labour MPs, the unlikely figure of Mildred Gordon was yesterday celebrating her new role as Labour's latest golden girl.

Mrs Gordon is not an obvious star. Unlike Joan Lestor she did not make it into the shadow cabinet top 18. Nor does she yet have the clout of a Virginia Bottomley to ask Marks & Spencer to open early.

But while most of the Labour women have suffered in the frontbench elections, Mrs Gordon was the only woman to almost double her vote, bringing her total to 81.

With each MP bound to list at least four women, everyone suddenly seemed to plump for the previously unsung heroine of the backbenches. Was it her staunch defence of women's rights? Would she appeal to voters? Or, in a backlash against the power of women in the Labour party, were some male MPs voting for her as a "no hope" candidate?

Mrs Gordon, 70, is not a stunner. Nor could she be accused of being a bimbo or being easily pushed around. She first became left wing during the Spanish civil war but waited until she had her retirement pension as a teacher before entering Parliament as MP for Bow and Poplar at 63.

Married for 34 years to the late Sam Gordon, a leading American Trotskyist, she has always kept to the left of the party. She opposed the expulsion of the Liverpool Militants, voted against sending troops to the Gulf war and refused to pay her poll tax.

Her radical feminism puts Ms Harman to shame. An advocate of the Wages For Housework Campaign, she declines to disclose her mother's maiden name. Her one concession is a passion for making jewellery.

While members of the shadow cabinet were filing into John Smith's office yesterday to haggle over their positions, Mrs Gordon was at home celebrating in her constituency.

She did not agree that there was resentment among male MPs. "To say MPs voted for me out of pique is an insult to me and to my colleagues," she said. "If we want to win the next general election it is vital we have the best people at the top. No one in the Labour party would jeopardise that out of petty vindictiveness."

Mrs Gordon said that one "extreme rightwinger" voted for her, "because he was so impressed by my record in fighting against racism". Others said it was because of her experience in education. "At last my qualities are being recognised," she said.

City angr over lost honour for mayo

BY ALAN HAMILTON

FOR the first time since 195 lord mayor of London v take up his year's residence the Mansion House n month without automatica becoming a knight — and City gents are not amused.

Alderman Paul Newall, investment banker with L man Brothers, who takes o from Sir Francis McWillia on November 12 as the man the City who outranks eve one but the Queen, can pend territorial decorati deputy lieutenant and mas of arts after his name, nothing in front. He is subj to John Major's new demo honours system of awardi gongs only if they have be truly earned.

Privately, the City is censed — not for Mr News but for themselves. "We a resigned to the decision, bu is extremely poor recogniti of the fact that last year t City of London made t country £19 billion, more th half of its entire foreign change earnings," a C source said yesterday.

"Financial services are Br ain's only remaining worl class industry. Giving knighthood to our lord may who is our principal ambass dor, has been a mark of t government's esteem for wh the City does. It goes dov well abroad. Dropping t custom suggests there is longer any way of recognisi the achievements of corpora bodies as well as individuals

Lord Wakeham, leader the House of Lords, said in Lords debate earlier this ye that such people as lord ma ors of London and captains industry would no longer tract an honour by mere virt of their position, but wou have to earn it by good work

"The practice of recor mending the lord mayor London-elect for a GBE aut matically on appointment w end as an application of th principle," he said. Lo Wakeham added that lo mayors in general tended give great public service some kind, thus leaving t door open for possib recognition.

Alderman Newall is in di tinguished company. Di Whittington, four times Lo Mayor, was never knighted.

Early bird keeps NHS fans at bay

BY JOE JOSEPH

VIRGINIA Bottomley is fortunate to find Marks & Spencer at Marble Arch, west London, so accommodating of her early morning shopping trips. Exclusive opening hours are almost unheard of in London.

Steffi Graff was a rare exception when she popped into Harvey Nichols in Knightsbridge out-of-hours to choose a frock for this year's Wimbledon victory ball. Most royals and prime ministers down, manage to fill their baskets during normal hours.

Contrary to speculation that Marks & Spencer had opened early at its flagship store for security reasons, or because the minister was fed up with being nagged by people languishing on NHS waiting lists, Mrs Bottomley yesterday revealed why she needed to shop in private: to avoid the hordes of NHS-enthusiasts who overwhelm her with tales of what a fine service she is running.

"Whenever I go to Marks & Sparks I always get surrounded by customers telling me how good the health service has been to them," she told listeners to LBC radio. "It's somewhat distracting when you're buying clothes." But don't any fellow shoppers criticise the NHS? "Not ever."

The minister claims the offer of crowd-free shopping came from M & S, but the store insisted yesterday the request had come from the secretary of state's office.

Few other London stores would have entertained the request. M & S could only recall Dustin Hoffman and Pat Phoenix, the late star of *Coronation Street*, being accorded the same privilege.

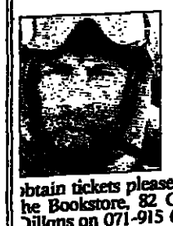
Does Harrods accommodate such requests? "No, we don't," said a spokesman. "It's not just a case of opening a door and letting someone in. We've got a huge leviathan here that needs to be cranked into operation."

At Aquascutum, one of Baroness Thatcher's favourite clothes stores, a spokeswoman said: "We would consider it for a valued or a faithful customer, or for security reasons." However, she couldn't recall having been asked. "Lady Thatcher has shopped here since 1987. But we don't open up specially for her."

Mrs Bottomley occasionally browses in second-hand clothes stores. But at the Oxfam shop in Pimlico, the nearest to Parliament, the manageress stood firm: "I wouldn't open. We have volunteers working here and it would be unfair to demand such things of them."

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Figures stacked against Major

BY ARTHUR LEATHLEY, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

JOHN Major's high-risk summer strategy of forcing a confidence motion through the Commons may backfire if he repeats it in the parliamentary session starting next month. For a mathematician believes he has devised a tactical manoeuvre which would enable Labour to turn a similar situation against the government.

After July's Commons defeat on the Maastricht treaty social chapter opt-out, Mr Major raised the stakes by pressing a second debate, linking the opt-out to a confidence vote in the government.

Although the move ensured Tory Maastricht rebels came into line, Christopher Moore, exploring the tactics mathematically rather than politically, claims that Labour missed a rare chance to turn the tables on the government.

Labour tabled an opposing confidence motion calling for inclusion of the amendment but Dr Moore, a mathematics lecturer, suggests John Smith showed "a masterful lack of imagination and originality. He clearly had no chance of winning Tory rebel support and should have tabled a simple amendment expressing confidence in the government, with no reference to the Maastricht treaty.

"The rebels could then quite happily have voted for the amendment, knowing that they could show their total support for the government in the confidence motion. This would have replaced the government's motion and prevented the resolution of the issue, which was the government's sole objective."

While senior Labour figures have accepted Dr Moore's ploy as ingenious, they are sceptical about whether voters would fully understand why the Opposition should table a motion of confidence in the government. "It might be difficult but it would be successful in exposing the absurdity of the whole confidence issue," Dr Moore said.

He said Labour missed an opportunity to exploit the middle ground. "John Smith thought that he must go for the opposite of the government motion. In fact he needed to think more logically about the opportunities which lay in between the two sides."

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Courteous Canadians put the boot in to the status quo



Campbell: saddled with legacy of her unpopular predecessor

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN OTTAWA

CANADA

YOU CAN tell something is rotten in the state of Canada, traditionally the most courteous country in the world, when its former prime minister takes to kicking journalists.

A recent incident involving Pierre Trudeau, the former Liberal leader, is an accurate reflection of quite how heated and unpleasant Canadian politics has become in the days leading up to next Monday's election. At a film festival in Montreal two weeks ago Mr Trudeau, who left office in 1984, was approached by a journalist who began to mock him for his role in quashing the separatist aspirations of Quebec, Canada's mainly French-speaking province. Mr Trudeau lost his temper. Angry words were exchanged. Mr Trudeau slapped his interlocutor in the face, then on the head. Then, to bring the discussion to a close, Mr Trudeau attempted that favourite political manoeuvre — a kick in the groin.

The established, even predictable, pattern of Canadian politics shows every sign of shattering next Monday, for the question is no longer whether the Progressive Conservatives, led by Kim Campbell, will lose the election but by how much. With voters deeply disillusioned at the status quo and a minority government increasingly likely, the debate over Quebec nationalism has returned once again to poison the political atmosphere.

According to the latest polls, the Liberal Party leads the ruling Conservatives by 37 per cent to 22 per cent, reflecting a slow economy and continuing resentment against the regime of Brian Mulroney, who was replaced as Conservative Party leader by Kim Campbell last June. Jean Chrétien, the Liberal leader, will almost certainly be the next Canadian prime minister, but whether he heads a minority or majority government remains highly uncertain.

The level of disillusionment with the Conservatives is such that they may even be pushed into third place. The Reform Party, a young populist grouping led by Preston Manning, stands at 18 per cent in the polls, while the separatist Bloc Québécois, led by Lucien Bouchard, enjoys 12 per cent nationally and, more importantly, more than 50 per cent of the vote in Quebec.

Since the package of constitutional reforms known as the Charlottetown accord was rejected by referendum last year in a burst of public pique, Canada has worked itself into an unprecedented state of resentment at politicians in general, the North American Free Trade Agreement (Nafta), the sluggish economy, unemployment, immigration and a new, hated sales tax.

Judging from the polls, the most likely outcome of all this is a weak and unstable Liberal-led minority government, followed by a burst of parliamentary politicking, the like of which may never have been seen in Canada before. The main beneficiary and partial instigator of this wave of Canadian anger is Mr Manning, leader of the six-year-old Reform Party which grew out of western Canada and has spread through the country's industrial centres. Like Ross Perot in America, he has caught the mad-as-hell mood of the nation and in recent weeks he has crept up the polls by advocating such stringent measures as slashing the deficit by scaling back federal funding for multicultural programmes, welfare and old age pensions. By next Monday Mr Manning and his cohorts are likely to be a significant force in the Canadian parliament. But Ms Campbell, Canada's first woman prime minister, can only partly be blamed for the fact that she may also turn out to be one of the shortest-lived.

Ms Campbell took over the Conservatives from Brian Mulroney, who was the most unpopular prime minister in the country's history, and has been unable, in just four months, to shake off his legacy.

Ms Campbell remains personally popular, partly for her acid tongue. "Lucien Bouchard will break up Canada, Preston Manning will break the Canadian spirit, and Jean Chrétien will break the Canadian bank," she quipped recently. But with even Conservaive pollsters predicting that her party's share of the 295 seats in the House of Commons will plummet from 153 to ess than 40, there seems little doubt that Ms Campbell herself will come to represent the most significant break of all, after almost a decade of Conservative rule.

Major urges united front against world's warlords

FROM NICHOLAS WOOD AND MICHAEL BINYON IN LIMASSOL

THE CONFERENCE: CYPRUS

JOHN Major warned the Commonwealth that the "age of the warlord" is returning, as he called for a bigger and more coherent international response to policing the world's trouble-spots.

As the first day of the five-day summit opened to new tensions over the divisions of Bosnia and Cyprus, the prime minister said the catalogue of post-Cold War conflicts was depressing. In all too many places, from Somalia to Georgia, it seemed that the warlord was back in charge and, the international response to conflict and despotism was inadequate. But these were not grounds for despair — dark clouds had lifted in place such as Cambodia, Mozambique and the Middle East.

In his keynote address, he urged member states to play an even bigger role in peacekeeping operations, but cautioned against a starry-eyed approach. Every UN operation should have realistic objectives linked to a political process. "What we cannot do, we should not pretend to do. It is empty to pretend that we can impose peace with justice on every disorder or dispute outside our national borders. But what we decide to do, we must do well."

But Mr Major's appeal did not satisfy Dr Mahathir Mohamed, the Malaysian prime minister and one of Britain's fiercest critics over the "holocaust" in Bosnia. He called for military intervention in the former Yugoslav republic to curb human rights violations. "In Bosnia, where ethnic cleansing involves blatant murders and rapes of Bosnian Muslims by Bosnian Serbs aided by the Serbian government of rump Yugoslavia, the righteousness that some of us display over minor infringements of human rights is remarkably absent. Can we in the Commonwealth, who have appealed for outside co-operation to help some of our members in need, ignore the Bosnian tragedy and elect to be silent simply because this is not a Commonwealth affair?"

Dr Mahathir's remarks angered his Cypriot hosts, who support Serbia and insist that links of religion and history compel them to join the Serbs in opposing what they see as a new Muslim encirclement. The Bosnian question is likely to be one of the most controversial in the ensuing private discussions.

Mr Major also sought to galvanise the Commonwealth in the search for a settlement of the long-running Gatt world trade talks. Winning strong backing from Paul Keating, the Australian prime minister, he encouraged French-speaking Commonwealth countries, such as Canada, to press Paris to accept the proposed deal over farm subsidies. He said: "I urge the Commonwealth to let its voice be heard. We should take whatever steps are necessary to leave others in no doubt of our strong views."

Mr Keating, who met Mr Major last night for private talks, also backed a Gatt deal in his address at the opening ceremony in Nicosia. He said that time was running out for a settlement, with the mid-December deadline for fast-track US approval less than two months away. In a side-swipe at France, he said: "Some 'rich countries' still seem to believe that they can avoid making difficult concessions and still reap the advantages of the round. They are completely wrong, and are likely to bear the opprobrium of the whole world."

The opening session heard repeated calls for greater internal democracy among the 50 member states, the readmission of South Africa after elections there in April, and a sharper and more cohesive response to regional conflicts. Chief Emeka Anyaoku, the secretary-general, said that the Commonwealth was less open to the charge of hypocrisy because of progress made since the last summit in Harare in advancing good government and human rights among its members.

Referring to ethnic conflicts, such as the war in Bosnia, he said that the Commonwealth experience provided new answers to the destructive forces that sometimes flow from divisive pluralism.

☐ **Hong Kong:** The 14th session of the Anglo-Chinese negotiations over the future of Hong Kong ended yesterday in Peking in an atmosphere of relative good humour, unlike the bitter diplomatic exchanges of two weeks ago (Jonathan Mirsky writes). But there was no meaningful progress on British plans to introduce a limited democracy in the colony.

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Balloon bursts on party atmosphere

BY MICHAEL BINYON

THE Commonwealth Conference had the air of a birthday party that went wrong. Everything was ready: 50 colourful flags; fleets of black Mercedes, luxury hotels; gifts for kings, presidents and prime ministers; brilliant late summer sun and even commemorative stamps. But at the last moment most of the top guests failed to arrive.

There is rarely a full turnout at the Commonwealth conference: someone is always ill: sulking or busy with an election. This year all three excuses kept half a dozen away.

The idyllic setting among the beach umbrellas and the bewildered tourists contrasted sharply with the themes of this year's conference: poverty, suffering, war, nationalism and territorial division.

Cypriots were clearly eager to give the very best impression — no one was allowed to carry their own bag or travel without an official car.

It did not help having the conference in as many parts of the island as were accessible: arrival in Larnaca, opening ceremonies in Nicosia, executive meetings in Limassol and a weekend retreat in the resort of Paphos. But at least the party made the most of its setting, even if some of the delegates wondered where all the whizzing about was taking them.



The Queen waves to the crowd during a visit to the Curium Amphitheatre, near Limassol, yesterday. In Limassol itself, protests against her visit continued

Starring role for Captain Strasser

BY MICHAEL BINYON

WITHOUT doubt the unexpected star of the Commonwealth Conference was the man they all expected to ate: Captain Valentine Strasser, 28, leader of the milary government in Sierra Leone.

He is tall, genuinely ark and handsome and everone wanted to find out more about the telegenic figure who mounted a coup last yer at the age of 26. He was looing forward to meeting them all, even if they were a little siffy. "Steady on, steady on," a senior British official aid. "He had some people she on the beach. We rather disapprove of that. In fact we ook some measures against him."

Captain Strasser has plnty on his hands: a mammoth

SIERRA LEONE

tussle with the multi-naional exploiting Sierra Leone'smin-erals, a national income among the world's poorst, a civil war in neighboring Liberia and a timetab: for elections in three years.

As Captain Strasserwas trying to break the icewith those who disapproved f his own coup, his junta at ome was dealing with wht it called another plot. Bizarely, the leaders have turned ot to be three Vietnamese ad a Chinese who hold Bitish passports. The Foreign Ofice has been told, but theiroutlook is not very good. Theast plot, last December, eded with at least 26 executions

The scant details availble on a man believed to be he world's youngest ruler reeal that he was born in 1966 rar Freetown, the capital, nd educated at Sierra Lene Grammar School. He qulified for university but opd for the military academy, which he entered in 1986.

Since then his rise has ben meteoric. Commissioned a second lieutenant in October 1987, he served in Liberia wh the West Africa Peace Fore. In 1991 he was reassigned o deal with a rebel incursio and led a platoon that recatured a border town. He ws wounded but his actions led promotion — and power.



Strasser: educated at grammar school

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Battle of the flags arouses the passions of black and white

FROM MICHAEL HAMLYN IN JOHANNESBURG

SOUTH AFRICA

THE teams of weary negotiators battling to create a new constitution near Johannesburg yesterday turned their minds to the question of national symbols.

But the six flags selected for consideration out of more than 7,000 designs submitted have not found universal approval. "Too much like a banana republic," was one comment. "It looks like gift-wrapping," declared a delegate in a minority report on the favoured recommendation.

On the proposal to change the national anthem, too, the Commission on National Symbols has not found comprehensive backing. It found itself unable to make up its mind positively between the present national anthem and *Nkosi Sikelel' i-Afrika* (God Bless Africa), the African National Congress rallying cry which is already the national anthem of several other black states.

Obviously the flag of South Africa as it exists now will not do for a multi-racial democracy — redolent as it is of the history of oppression — although hardline Afrikaners opposed it at the time that it was introduced in 1928.

The present flag is principally the old Dutch tricolour of orange, white and blue, with the addition across the middle of the Union Flag and the flags of the two former Boer republics, the Transvaal and Orange Free State.

Green and gold, the livery of the Springbok national teams, were the dominant colours on the designs for flags proposed to negotiators. This certainly was true of the design favoured by the commission, which explained that "gold signified wealth, resources and sun; green the environment, the land, vegetation, fertility, growth and youth."

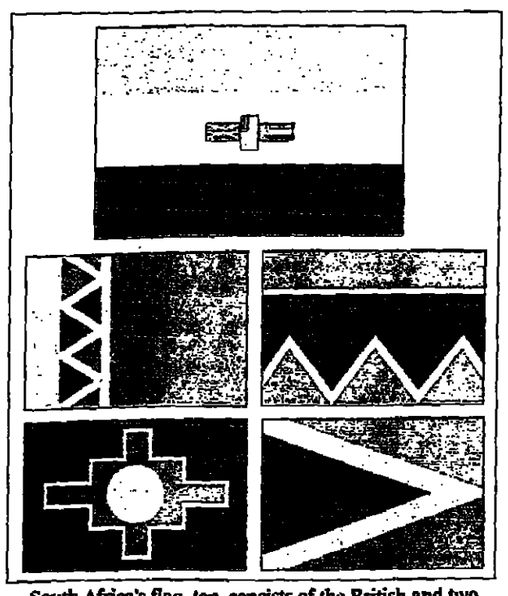
The commission added: "The vertical motif of triangles represents the people and is associated with indigenous decorative forms. It is a stylised version of a recurrent motif of reconciliation in the submissions. The colours on the triangles are green, blue (rain, water, sky) and red (courage, progress, vitality, blood); the line separating them is white (peace, hope, reconciliation)."

There were vehement objects yesterday for *Die Stem* — "The Call" — which is South Africa's current national anthem. With its singing of "distant, lonely plains with the creak of ox-carts", its prayer for protection of what "our fathers built", and its glorification of "true and loyal as Afrikaners, the children of South Africa," *Die Stem* has long been excoriated by the freedom movement as a hymn to the Boer spirit and, therefore, apartheid.

Nkosi Sikelel' i-Afrika was decried at the talks yesterday by Schalk Pienaar of the right-wing Afrikaner Volksunie, who said it was "seen by many whites as a song for terrorists".

The commission's solution was to use both songs together as a dual national anthem. The ANC and the South African Communist Party would have none of this. Wally Serote, a poet and ANC delegate, declared that every time he heard *Die Stem* "it puts me against the wall". Joe Slovo, the Communist chairman, said that "the lyrics of *Die Stem* are a hymn to conquest and domination".

Yesterday's debate ended with a decision to refer the matter back to the planning committee, which will return with a proposal on how to take the issue forward.



South Africa's flag, top, consists of the British and two Boer republic flags set within a Dutch tricolour. Among four designs to replace it, the one at top left is favourite

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Peace takes precedence over justice in the City of Angels

FROM IAN BRODIE IN WASHINGTON

IT BEGAN, in a way, with John DeLorean. He was filmed with a lap full of cocaine which he said was better than gold. He was acquitted. Then Marion Barry, mayor of Washington, was captured on camera using cocaine. He was cleared of all but one minor charge.

Four white Los Angeles police officers were seen around the world beating Rodney King but got off at their first trial. Now, two blacks who were seen on videotape attacking Reginald Denny in the riots that followed that case of the policemen have been cleared of attempted murder and found guilty only on lesser charges.

What is happening here? Are jurors seeing something the rest of us are missing?

In the DeLorean case, the jury decided he was made the victim of an FBI sting. With Mr Barry, jurors believed he was set up by a former girlfriend turned FBI stooge.

In the case involving Mr King, a black, the non-black jury were from the white enclave of Simi Valley outside Los Angeles where many police families live. They seem to have decided that Mr King deserved to be beaten senseless with several skull fractures, a broken leg and a shattered eye socket.

It was this astonishing verdict which set off the riots that left 53 dead, caused damage amounting to a billion dollars and provoked the assault on Mr Denny, a white lorry driver, who was dragged from his vehicle and suffered more than 90 broken bones.

Yet the jurors in the Denny case seem to have settled for some form of equivalency in dealing leniently with Damian Williams, who was seen smashing a brick into the side of Mr Denny's head and then doing a little dance of joy, and Henry Watson, who was shown pressing his boot down on the unconscious lorry-driver's neck. Williams was convicted only of mayhem and four counts of assault. Watson of assault. Williams faces a maximum of ten years — sentencing is on December 7; after 17 months in custody, Watson was freed.

The cases may establish that the camera does not lie, but they also prove that it does not tell the whole story. We, the non-jurors, see the stark commission of a crime. For those in the jury box, the cases are by no means as open and shut. Badgered by lawyers, jurors begin to consider implications far beyond the two-dimensional video images. In the Denny case, the prosecution failed to prove an intent to murder because the camera could not show what was going on inside the defendants' heads.

There is another, more troubling cast to the Denny verdicts. The jurors, ten of them women, four blacks, two whites, four Hispanics and two Asians, were frightened. Efforts were made to shield their identities, but they were justifiably scared word would get out. How could jurors be unaware of the danger of another conflagration in south-central Los Angeles?

The strain on the jury became apparent during the two and a half months of the Denny trial. Four had to be replaced, one because she simply refused to deliberate. Two jurors went down with stress-related illness this week; one confessed to the forewoman she was simply afraid. The *Los Angeles Times* sympathised, saying the jurors did their best with a battered but time-honoured system of justice. Was it justice, though? Gil Garcetti, Los Angeles District Attorney, thought not. He said the jurors had chosen peace rather than justice. He said he understood why the white areas of the San Fernando Valley were seething and why blacks in south-central Los Angeles were celebrating.

This clash between peace and justice has its roots in an ancient Jewish legend where the angels warn God that the two qualities cannot live together among human beings. In America's City of the Angels that has proved to be the case.

THE DENNY CASE

On tape: Denny is beaten during riots after the first acquittals in the King case. Suspects include Damian Williams and Henry Watson.
Injuries: Denny suffers more than 90 broken bones.
Charges: Both charged with attempted murder and lesser charges. Unable to raise bail — in jail 17 months.
Outcome: Both cleared of major charges. Williams, convicted of mayhem and four counts of assault, faces a maximum of ten years in jail. Watson is convicted of assault and sentenced to six months. *(USA Today)*

THE KING CASE

On tape: Rodney King, pulled over after a car chase, is beaten by four Los Angeles police officers, including Sergeant Stacey Koon and Officer Laurence Powell.
Injuries: King suffers skull fractures, broken leg, shattered eye socket and cheekbone, concussion and other injuries.
Charges: Four officers, after being acquitted in a criminal trial, are charged with violating King's civil rights.
Outcome: Koon and Stacey convicted on federal civil rights charges; sentenced to 30 months in prison, eligible for release after 25. Other officers acquitted. *(USA Today)*



Damian Williams, who faces up to ten years in jail, in court on Wednesday. Sentencing was set for December 7

NEWS IN BRIEF

Burundi president toppled in coup

Nairobi: Three months after the election of Burundi's first democratic government, soldiers loyal to a former regime yesterday staged a coup, ousting President Ndadaye (Our Foreign Staff write).

The European Community denounced the coup in the small Central African nation, which appeared to be an attempt by the minority Tutsi tribe to regain the domination it enjoyed for decades before President Ndadaye's election victory last June. Mr Ndadaye is a member of the Hutu tribe, which comprises 85 per cent of the tiny nation's population.

Reports here said said Mr Ndadaye, 40, was being held by rebel soldiers. Three other ministers were also kidnapped. The coup is being blamed on Jean-Baptiste Bagaza, a former president. The struggle for power between the Hutus and the Tutsis has led to a number of ethnic massacres.

Rangers leave

Mogadishu: The 400 US Army rangers dispatched to track down General Muhammad Farrah Aidid, the Somali warlord, have started to go home. President Clinton gave up trying to catch General Aidid after 18 American soldiers were killed in a battle earlier this month. *(Reuter)*

Kashmir curfew

Srinagar: Indian authorities have imposed an indefinite curfew across Kashmir to prevent trouble over an army siege of the territory's holiest mosque. Officials said the restrictions were intended to prevent trouble today when militants had called for mass protests. *(Reuter)*

Empress better

Tokyo: Empress Michiko of Japan is recovering well after collapsing and losing consciousness for several hours on Wednesday. Her condition was attributed to anaemia and fatigue, but reports said she has since had difficulty speaking and that she may have suffered a minor stroke.

Noriega guilty

Panama City: Manuel Noriega, the former Panamanian dictator, was sentenced to 20 years in jail for ordering the murder of Hugo Spadafora, an opposition leader, in 1985. Noriega, who is serving a 40-year term in the United States for drug dealing, was sentenced in absentia. *(AFP)*

Dinosaur find

Salt Lake City: The fossilised skeleton of a previously unknown meat-eating dinosaur, similar to the allosaurus of the Jurassic and Cretaceous periods, has been discovered in Utah. Only the head of the carnivore, measuring about 7.8 ft tall by about 19.6 ft in length, is missing. *(AFP)*

Vodka, no tonic

Bangkok: An advertisement in the *Bangkok Post* showing President Yeltsin holding a bottle of Borzoi vodka and saying "Coup? *What Coup?*" was criticised by the Russian ambassador as damaging to the leader. It was placed by a liquor supplier. *(Reuter)*



Baby Doc fled in 1986

Carefree Haiti elite shrugs off sanctions

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN PORT-AU-PRINCE

AN HOUR up the coast from Port-au-Prince is the old seaside estate of "Papa" and "Baby Doc" Duvalier, who ruled Haiti by terror for 29 years. It is surrounded by 18ft high walls, and has been locked up since "Baby Doc" fled to France in 1986.

The gardens have reverted to jungle. The balustrades, balconies and terraces are crumbling. Goats have moved into the whitewashed guest house and official quarters. The furniture and fittings have long since vanished, but the opulence the Duvaliers acquired by plundering their country is still discernible.

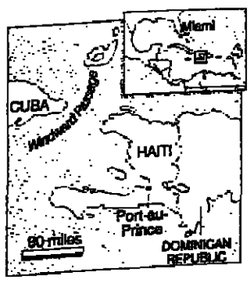
There is the private dock for their yacht, the big empty swimming pool, the mosaic floors, the expensively tiled bathrooms and the open thatched pavilion by the sea where they would party.

The world slapped sanctions on Haiti last Monday, but for the country's tiny elite life remains carefree. The shops of Petionville overlooking Port-au-Prince are well stocked with French perfumes and designer clothes. Should luxuries run short Haiti has a highly-porous 220-mile border with the Dominican Republic.

In other ways, too, life remains normal. Political murders continue unabated. The US embassy yesterday received and passed on a death threat against foreign journalists.

It is the poor, of course, whose lives have been made more wretched by the embargo. The price of rice, beans and other basic commodities has already risen by as much as a third.

☐ Clinton reprieve: President Clinton avoided a showdown with Congress over his powers as commander-in-chief when Republican senators retreated from trying to restrict his ability to send US troops to Bosnia and Haiti. Mr Clinton has called the US role in Haiti has given rise to "Operation Restore Democracy". Yesterday Samuel Milord, a prominent supporter of President Aristide, was reportedly kidnapped.



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Energy-starved Ukraine decides to reprieve Chernobyl as Moscow pledges to improve pollution record

Russia links aid plea to halt in dumping nuclear waste

FROM ANNE MCELVOY IN MOSCOW

RUSSIA retreated yesterday from plans to dump further nuclear waste in the Sea of Japan after strong protests from Tokyo, Seoul and the United States, but said that it would need foreign aid to build a new processing plant within 18 months if it were not to resume the practice.

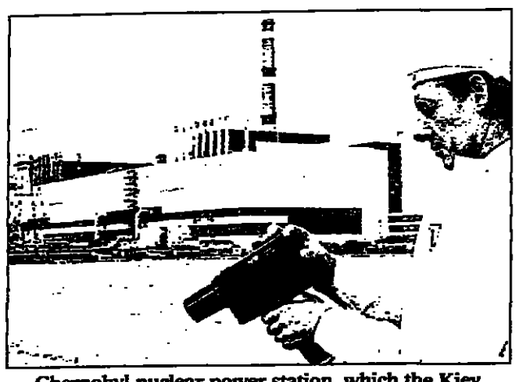
The ecology minister, Viktor Danilov-Danilan, said after a cabinet meeting that a second emission of low-level liquid waste, planned to take place in the next few days, would not occur "in the near future". He added that Viktor Chernomyrdin, the prime minister, had ordered a feasibility study into building a plant in the Russian Far East to deal with nuclear waste.

Tokyo welcomed the decision and said that it was ready to open talks on releasing some of the £67 million it has set aside to help Russia disarm its nuclear weapons. On Wednesday Japan told Moscow to stop the "sea burial" of waste or risk souring bilateral ties improved by President Yeltsin's visit last week.

The release into the Sea of Japan last weekend of 900 cubic metres (32,000 cubic feet) of refuse from scrapped nuclear-powered submarines caused outrage in Japan and South Korea. Coming straight after the presidential trip to the region, the operation has been internationally judged as a display of Moscow's irresponsible approach to disposal of atomic waste. But Russia said that it was unable to store waste from decommissioned submarines and naval vessels on land and would need a "substantial contribution" to the £5 billion needed for a big processing plant, making it clear that it will continue to attach pledges to improve its nuclear pollution record to demands for foreign cash.

Mr Danilov-Danilan had further angered Tokyo when he defended the decision to dump the waste, saying that the only alternative would have been polluting waters near the Russian naval base of Bolshoi Kamyen, near Vladivostok. The Japanese embassy in Moscow registered a protest. "It is like saying, 'we do not want it on our doorstep but we don't care about yours'," said one Japanese diplomat.

The ecology minister struck a more conciliatory tone yesterday, saying: "No one would claim that the disposal of waste in the ocean is normal. We are doing all we can to solve this problem."



Chernobyl nuclear power station, which the Kiev government has decided will remain in service

In a country where ecology has been given a low priority for decades, the green lobby still goes unheeded by policymakers. Dubbed the "anti-ecology minister" by his critics, who believe him to be too much indebted to the industrial lobby, Mr Danilov-Danilan attacked Greenpeace and other environmental groups yesterday. They had "hyper-exaggerated" the problem of dumping, he said, adding: "I have much more serious environmental problems to deal with."

In Kiev, the Ukrainian capital, parliament voted yesterday to reverse an earlier decision to close down the Chernobyl atomic power station, damaged in the 1986 explosion which caused widespread contamination across Europe, thousands of deaths and cases of radiation sickness. Pressed by economic difficulties and an energy shortage, it also voted to end a moratorium on the building of several more nuclear plants after President Kravchuk told it that the republic had "no alternative but to develop nuclear energy".

A resolution said that the Chernobyl station would stay open "for a period determined by its technological condition", despite recommendations by Western experts that it be closed. The destroyed fourth reactor remains encased in a protective shell built in the weeks after the disaster, but this structure is cracking and needs replacement.

Vlodymyr Yavorivsky, a deputy and a leading environmentalist, denounced the vote as folly, declaring: "Ukraine will be the loser from this decision. Chernobyl is a wounded animal". But the republic's nuclear lobby has campaigned hard for re-opening the plant, along with Ukrainian nationalists who believe that only atomic power can reduce dependence on Russia for energy supplies.

☐ **Election pledge:** President Yeltsin pledged yesterday that he would personally ensure freedom of speech in the run-up to December's parliamentary elections and denied that he was inclining towards dictatorial leadership.

The Russian leader blamed officials for "excesses" in limitations that were imposed on the press after the failed parliamentary uprising. "Freedom of the press is as important to me as it is to you," he told the *Novaya Yezhednevnaya Gazeta*. "I have never spoken or acted like a dictator."

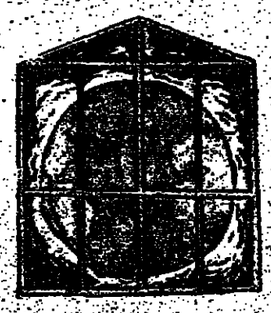
The president also widened membership of his security council to include several liberal ministers, in an apparent attempt to widen the scope of the body, which has been accused of being secretive and unaccountable.



Environmental activists outside the Russian embassy in Seoul yesterday holding up allegedly contaminated squid in a demonstration against Russia's dumping of nuclear waste off the South Korean coast

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During Helping the Earth Week, voluntary groups, local councils, shops, trade associations and the Government will be working together to encourage the uptake of energy efficient measures which will reduce the amount of energy we use at home.

For example, the independent Energy Saving Trust chaired by Lord Moore yesterday launched the scheme of Local Energy Advice Centres and - jointly with the lighting industry - is also promoting energy-saving lightbulbs.

There will be Energy Fairs in Kingston and Chippenham, Energy Forums in Norfolk and Plymouth and an Ecofeedback Scheme in Middlesborough. Local authorities such as Birmingham and Leicester City councils will also be running campaigns. A quick look in the local papers will tell you what other activities are being organised.

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Ton-down challenge to families

John Gummer, accompanied by members of the Gladiators TV series, has challenged families to save at least a 'ton' (ie. £100) on their fuel bills.

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For more details, and the chance to win tickets to see the Gladiators in panto this Christmas, see the Green Brigade's free action pack for children 'Every Home Helps'. Just write to Every Home Helps (TT), Freepost SW7200, London SW1P 3YY, giving your name and address.

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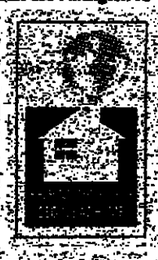
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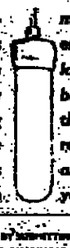
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Nato offers crumb of security comfort

FROM MICHAEL EVANS IN TRAVEMÜNDE

FORMER Warsaw Pact countries who join Nato's new "partnership for peace" offer should see it as the first step towards full membership of the alliance, *Les Aspin*, the American defence secretary, said yesterday.

Speaking at the end of the two-day Nato defence ministers' meeting, Mr Aspin said he and his fellow ministers were convinced that alliance membership would be expanded and that it would happen "sooner rather than later". Although there would be no guarantee to come to a partner's aid if attacked by another country, he said the partnership would bring some "security comfort".

However, the principal aim was to develop common training, common military procedures and inter-operable equipment. This could lead to the alliance's new security partners joining Nato-run peacekeeping operations.

The experience of partnership would then make it easier for a country to join eventually as a full member. Mr Aspin denied that Nato was bowing to the will of Moscow in rejecting full membership for former Warsaw Pact countries. President Yeltsin made it clear recently that he would not welcome Nato expanding eastwards in the near future.

US stands ready to be Georgia mediator

BY OUR FOREIGN STAFF IN TBILISI

AMERICA is offering to participate in peace talks in Georgia and President Clinton has invited Eduard Shevardnadze, the Georgian leader, to visit Washington.

The government released a letter from Mr Clinton noting that the US had condemned the military offensive by separatists who captured the Abkhazia region last month. Mr Shevardnadze also faces a rebellion by supporters of Zviad Gamsakhurdia, the former Georgian president.

"I would like to invite you to Washington for an official working visit at a mutually convenient time," Mr Clinton wrote.

The defence ministry said 30 rebels loyal to Mr Gamsakhurdia had died and 48 had been wounded in clashes in western Georgia. The toll on the government side was seven dead and 13 injured.

The government also said Poti and Lanchkhuti had been recaptured on Wednesday and the town of Khoni, near the strategic centre of Samtredia, retaken yesterday. But a Reuter correspondent, Richard Balmforth, who toured western Georgia yesterday, saw no fighting and said that the key port of Poti was still in the control of Gamsakhurdia forces. He did not visit Lanchkhuti or Khoni.

Church puts its faith in admen

FROM ROGER BOYES IN BONN

Germany's bishops have hired a leading advertising agency to stop the flow of Roman Catholics leaving the church. Media training for priests, a poster campaign and perhaps television advertisements will try to convince Germans that the church is still relevant to their problems and that it does not dodge tricky social issues.

More than 200,000 Catholics left the church in Germany last year, the biggest drop-out rate since the war. In 1991 the figure was almost 168,000. The church reacted by commissioning a national opinion poll and found that a quarter of the 28 million German Catholics had at least considered leaving.

One reason is that Germans automatically have to pay church tax unless they formally register their withdrawal. With the recession biting, many Germans feel they need to save the money. But the poll found that the financial element was the least important factor: most defectors were between 18 and 44, and they cited discontent with the church's sexual and social teachings as their main reasons.

The public relations campaign will start with posters. "The Catholic Church fights against violence in the schoolyard," is one slogan. "The church was dead for me," says another, which portrays a young couple evidently at loggerheads. "But then I separated from Claudia." The church, in other words, is ready to help broken families or divorcing couples.

Mgr Klaus Lehmann, the Bishop of Mainz, says the church has been pushed too much into the defensive on issues such as sexual morality or the social position of women. The advertising campaign will cost DM3 million (£1.22 million) over four years, but some bishops are unhappy about marketing the church.

☐ **Rome:** Twenty women who have had affairs with Catholic clergy delivered a letter to the Pope pressing for rule changes on priestly celibacy. *(Reuter)*

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Milosevic poll call turns tables on divided opposition

FROM TIM JUDAH AND DESSA TREVISAN IN BELGRADE

SERBIAN opposition parties reacted angrily yesterday to the calling of fresh elections by President Milosevic. In a move reckoned to be a masterful ploy aimed at simultaneously destroying ultra-nationalists and democratic opponents, Mr Milosevic has scheduled new elections for December 19.

Vuk Draskovic, an opposition leader, denounced the move and called for a boycott. He accused the president of violating Serbia's constitution and said his total control of television denied opposition parties a chance to get across their message.

The election comes only a year after the last poll in which Mr Milosevic's Socialists lost their parliamentary majority. Since then they have governed with the support of extreme nationalists in Vojislav Seselj's Serbian Radical Party. It was the recent break with Mr Seselj and his demand for a vote of no confidence in the government which precipitated the call for new elections. But the voters will only be choosing a new Serbian parliament and not a new president.

"Milosevic has panicked, he has lost his head," said Mr Seselj. He said his party would decide tomorrow whether or not to take part in the poll. He said the real reason the poll had been called was because parliament was due to debate a bill which would relax the Socialist hold on state television.

Other opposition leaders reacted angrily because they are embroiled in one of the worst rounds of internecine squabbling yet seen in Serbia.

When Mr Seselj first called for a vote of no confidence, the Socialists accused him and his paramilitary forces of war crimes, fascism and atrocities. Mr Draskovic and other opposition leaders hoped that, in his desire to finish off the Radicals, Mr Milosevic would invite them to participate in a *transitional* government and hold elections in spring. To their shock, Mr Milosevic has gone for early elections in which both left and right are likely to lose and the Socialists hope to regain their majority.

International sanctions, subsidies to Serbs outside Serbia, and the collapse of the old Yugoslavia have ruined Serbia. Living standards have collapsed, the average salary is about £12, and inflation is expected to be 2,000 per cent this month.

Under the electoral law, December 19 is the earliest that Mr Milosevic can hold the poll. Polls show that an increasing number of Serbs are apathetic about politics, being more concerned with survival. December 19 is an important saint's day for many Serbs, who will be celebrating, and Mr Milosevic may be be calculating that a low turnout will help him.

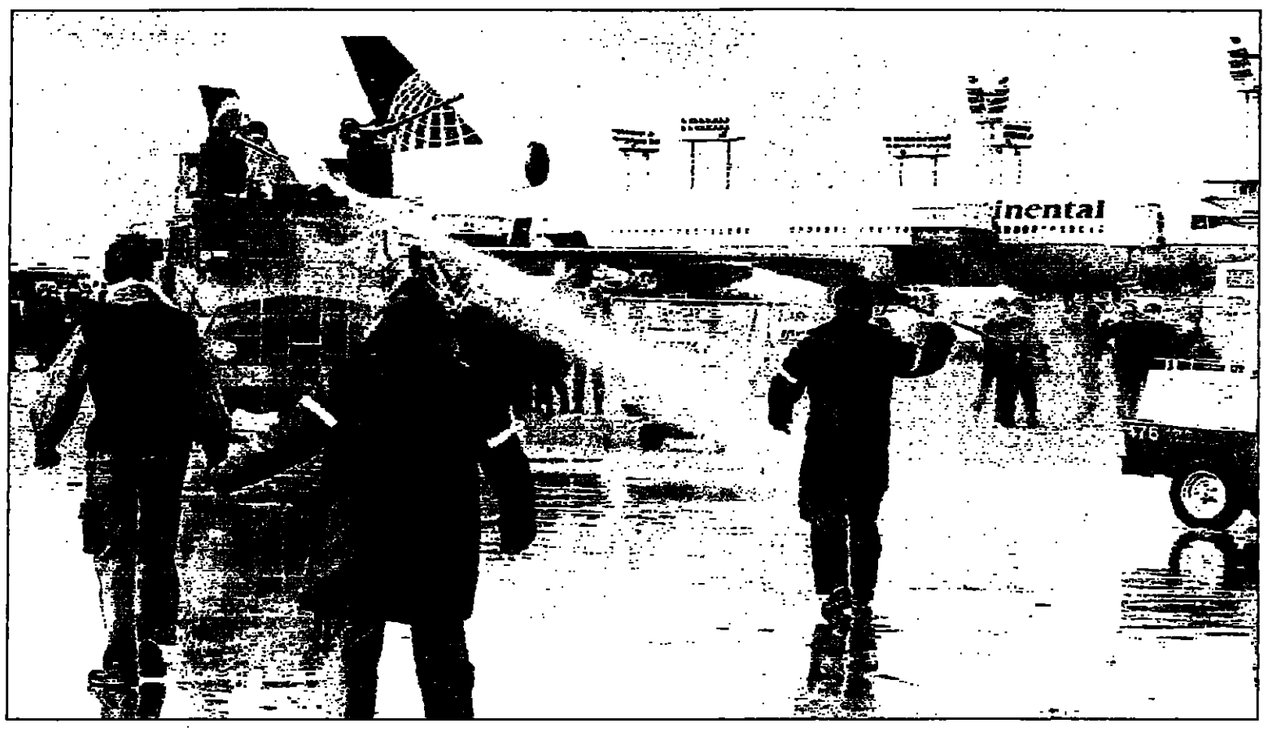
Eighteen per cent of Serbia's population is ethnic Albanian, concentrated in the southern province of Kosovo. Although Albanians could hold the balance of power in the Serbian parliament, they are likely to boycott the poll because they have proclaimed their own "Republic of Kosovo".

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State recognised

Brussels: Belgium said yesterday it had recognised Macedonia under the name "Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" to avoid a diplomatic rift with Greece. Greece has fought international recognition of Macedonia, on the ground that the name implies support for a claim to the Greek province of the same name. *(Reuter)*

Dispute brings havoc to Paris airports



Paramilitary police use a water cannon to disperse striking Air France ground staff from the runways at Orly airport yesterday. Hundreds of workers blocked the A1 motorway north of Paris in both directions, causing long traffic jams and preventing passengers of foreign airlines not affected by the Air France dispute from driving to the terminal at Roissy-Charles de Gaulle airport. Strikers also formed a human chain to blockade access from the A6 motorway to Orly airport, south of the capital, after riot police drove them off the runways. France 3 television said three strikers were injured in clashes with riot police on the Orly runways. Foreign airline flights were continuing to take off and land at both Paris airports, but Air France cancelled all 450 medium-haul flights to Europe, Israel and Turkey and most of its long-haul departures. Some flights were transferred to Brussels and French provincial airports. The daily Concorde supersonic flight to New York was taking off from the northern town of Lille. The state railway company SNCF put on extra trains to some European capitals for stranded airline passengers. It was the fourth successive day of havoc at Paris airports caused by the dispute over an austerity plan by Air France, the loss-making national carrier, involving reduced bonuses and 4,000 job cuts. *(Reuter)*

Friend of Arafat assassinated by gunmen in Gaza

FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN JERUSALEM

A leading PLO figure and close friend of Yassir Arafat, the PLO leader, was shot by masked men in the Gaza Strip yesterday in the third political assassination in a month.

In what Palestinians fear could turn into a bloody feud between rival groups, two unidentified Arabs shot Asaad Saftawi, 58, as he was fetching his daughters from a school in Gaza city.

Although the murder cast a shadow over peace talks at the Egyptian resort of Taba, Palestinian and Israeli negotiators later reported a breakthrough on the issue of the release of Palestinian prisoners. Nabil Shaath, emerging from a meeting with Amnon Shahak, the Israeli delegation chief, said: "There is an absolute agreement that by the time we sign this agreement there will be a general amnesty for everybody."

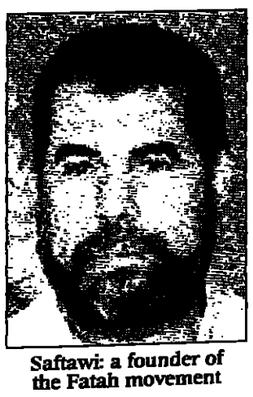
Mr Saftawi, who was the headmaster of a United Nations school for refugees, was one of the founders of the PLO's Fatah movement, and had been a friend of Mr Arafat since the 1950s when they studied together in Egypt. He may have been targeted for his moderate views by rivals within his own movement or radical groups opposed to the current peace agreement.

Mr Saftawi, who was jailed several times by the Israelis, produced his own "two-state" peace plan in 1989.

Last month another Fatah leader in Gaza, Muhammad Abu Shaaban, was assassinated by gunmen suspected of belonging to his own group. His aide, Maher Ikhail, was shot dead last week.

The Islamic Resistance Movement, Hamas, joined the condemnation of yesterday's killing, declaring itself totally opposed to assassination.

☐ **Damascus:** Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, arrives here today for the highest-level visit to Syria by a British minister since 1964. The talks will focus on securing peace in the Middle East and boosting bilateral ties. *(AFP)*



Saftawi: a founder of the Fatah movement

Swedish fathers called to duty

FROM NICHOLAS GEORGE IN STOCKHOLM

SWEDISH families could lose thousands of pounds in state benefits unless the father takes time off work to care for his young child. The move is among proposals by a government-appointed committee to increase fathers' responsibility for their children's upbringing.

Another proposal would make joint custody of children the norm in the case of family breakdowns, even if the mother opposes it.

Sweden has long been regarded as providing a model system of paternity and child care benefits. A mother can take 12 months' maternity leave, receiving 90 per cent of her previous salary from the state. This period can be spread out during the first eight years of her child's life. Fathers have the right to take three months of the 12, but few do. Instead the mother uses up the allowance. In the new system, if the father did not take the three months the period would be lost to the family.

The committee chairman, Peter Orn, explained: "Our aim is to make fathers share the responsibility for their children. We believe a child should have a relationship with its father. This should not be with an absent father but one who is close."

Mr Orn said the policy was also aimed at helping women in their careers. At present employers often assumed a woman would take time off to look after her child; now employers would have to realise that men were likely to do the same.

Swedes have been debating the role of single-parent families. Mr Orn said: "Children without fathers suffer from lack of a male role model. Recently a manager of one of Sweden's prisons said that 75 to 80 per cent of her prisoners had not had a father to identify with."

Mr Orn emphasised that this was not an attempt to make single parents feel guilty but to point to the benefits of having a father involved in the family.

The proposals are to be considered by the minister of social affairs and could be introduced next spring, though the period of fathers' leave may be shortened.

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Death of the soft sociologist

Social Darwinism is back on the agenda, saying the great unsayable

Did you know there was such a thing as "hard" sociology, hard in the sense of hard science, demonstrable, mercilessly objective and as different from the guffy stuff as astrophysics is from biblical commentary? I didn't, until I saw an advance copy of the Economic and Social Research Council's annual lecture with which Lord Runciman was undoubtedly waking them all up at the back last night. There it was in cold print, from the unimpeachably objective pen of the man who chaired the Royal Commission on criminal justice. I'm damn sure he started an argument.

Before politicians and other optimists get excited by the prospect of this hardening up of the flabby social so-called sciences, I should say that the Runciman message is bleak news for anyone who thinks he can change the world. Essentially it is that human behaviour is governed as unavoidably, and as capriciously, by the Darwinian principle of natural selection as is biological development. Social evolution occurs vastly quicker than biological evolution, but it is subject to the same demon law of competi-



MARGOT NORMAN

tion: something is being selected for in the human societies that "modern" man (i.e. humans for the past 30,000 years) has formed, but we can't say what.

In short, says Runciman, quoting Jimmy Hoffa: "Anyone who thinks life isn't a jungle isn't around." In terms of social organisation and cultural norms, only the fittest will survive, but we cannot and never will be able to predict what those will be. As far as the efforts of policy-makers go, these are merely "random inputs" into the process of social selection.

Contingency is all, there is no such thing as progress, and only wishful thinkers like Karl Marx (for the left) and Herbert Spencer (for the right) could suppose that society might be moving in a straight line towards some left or right-wing millennium at which history comes to an end. Whatever your political predilections, the Darwinian principle ensures that there never can be a "totally" anything society — totally violent, totally peaceful, totally good or totally bad. There can only be a succession of major social changes brought about as the "unpredictable, cumulative consequence of minor mutations of practice".

This sort of talk is, of course, politically incorrect from any standpoint. It was all entirely unsayable when Runciman started out as a sociologist in the Sixties, and even now it takes a steady nerve to revive and re-examine these Victorian evolutionist ideas. You are liable to be accused of reviving Spencer's extreme racist conclusions, or, indeed, his belief that any measures to alleviate poverty are mischievous interference with the elimination of the unfit, no matter how loudly you say that both Spencer and Marx drew the wrong conclusions.

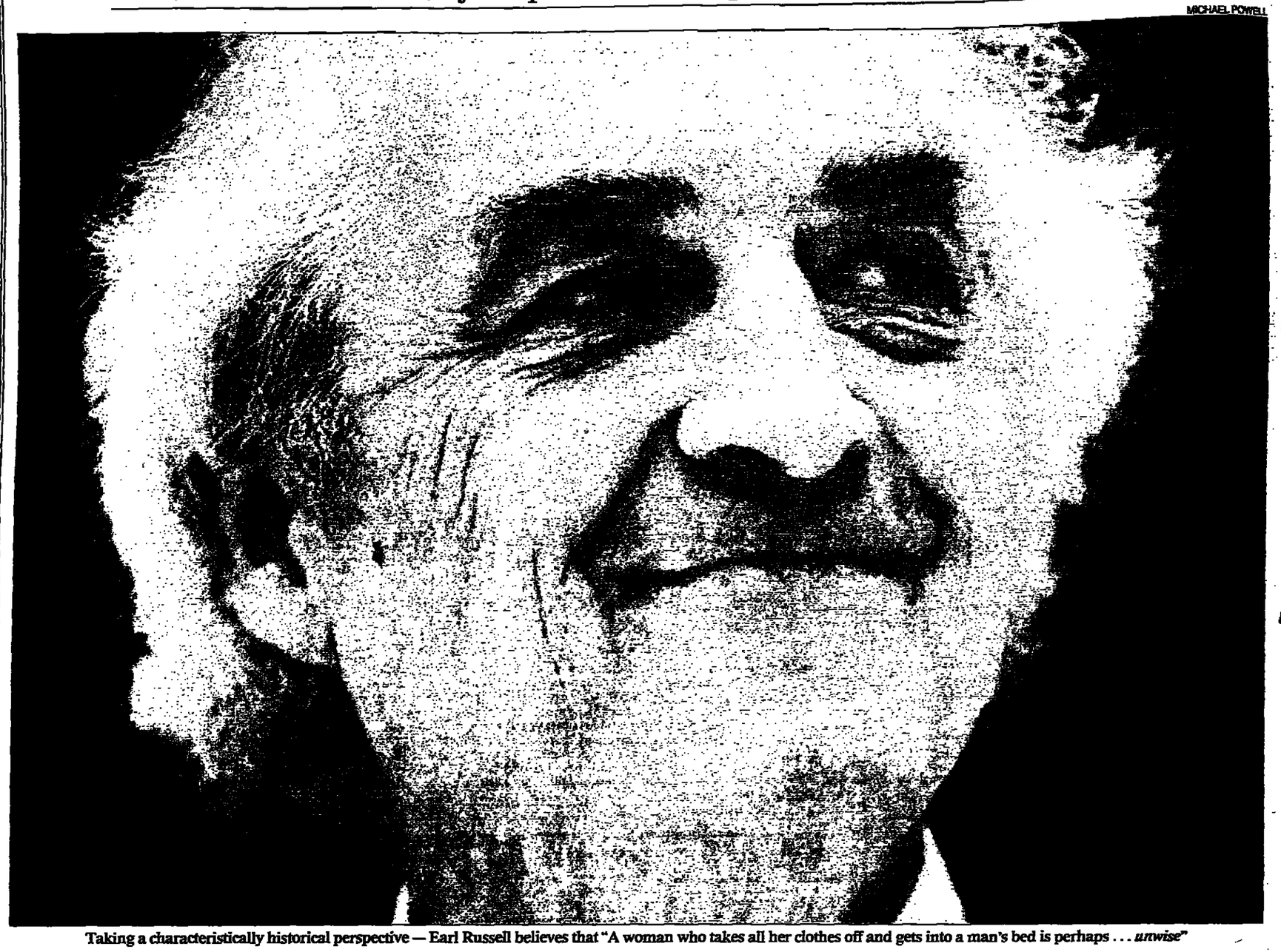
Hard sociology is pretty hard for soft sociologists to take, and it probably needs a Victorian figure like Runciman to dish it out. When I say he is Victorian I mean that a millionaire shipowner, a viscount with a sense of intellectual *noblesse oblige* who has proved himself equally as a businessman, a public servant and an academic, is a pretty unusual figure in the late 20th century. Put crudely, he is in a stronger position than any salaried academic to put all this contentious stuff into his lectures and the third volume, on which he is now working, of his monumental *Treatise on Social Theory*.

He is also better placed than most academics to orchestrate the multi-disciplinary approach that is the most fascinating aspect of this hard sociology. Runciman and the biologist John Maynard Smith will be bringing the sociologists and the scientists together in 1995 for a joint Royal Society/British Academy symposium entitled "What is being selected for what in the transition from nature to culture?"

Natural Eeyores like me, who never did believe in progress anyway, are of course not lining up with the optimists who suppose these learned folk will be able to answer their own question. But we may spare a sympathetic thought for those quaint old soft sociologists who may be getting the uncomfortable feeling that their patch, the guffy stuff, is becoming a mere sideshow.

Men, morals and mores, by the peer who championed a student unjustly accused

MICHAEL POWELL



Taking a characteristically historical perspective — Earl Russell believes that "A woman who takes all her clothes off and gets into a man's bed is perhaps . . . *unwise*"

'If that is rape, every married man has committed it'

The hero of the hour at the Old Bailey this week was undoubtedly the white-haired, black-browed, chain-smoking Earl Russell, Professor of British History at King's College London. The son of Bertrand Russell lent his precise, donnish voice and academic gravitas to the otherwise unedifying case against the unfortunate Mr Donnellan, thereby aiding a famous victory.

"I think a woman who takes all her clothes off and gets into a man's bed", as Conrad Russell says with characteristic understatement, "is perhaps . . . *unwise*." As a historian he enjoys taking a long perspective. "One can almost always say, this has happened before. In sexual morals, as in everything else, one looks at a process of change over several hundred years and there is no point in not recognising that pendulums *always* swing too far."

And historians will note the piquancy here. Bertrand Russell fought doughtily for women's rights (in 1907 he stood as women's suffrage candidate at Wimbledon) and advocated sexual freedom, especially for himself. Women's rights and wrongs have since progressed to this ludicrous impasse: the great Russell's son has to stand up and champion a young man whose only error was to fall into bed with a foolish young woman enjoying just the kind of sexual licence Russell *père* proposed.

The result is that Lord Russell the Younger is suddenly recognised and congratulated by strangers on a train, as happened when we travelled on the day after the verdict to Cambridge, where he was delivering a lecture on the causes of the Civil War. A historian of the 17th century, even the great-grandson of Lord John Russell of the Reform Bill, does not expect this kind of fame and acclaim. "But injustice is injustice," he said as we settled into our carriage, "and one holds one's catches as they come to one." (He likes to use cricketing metaphors, and jolly limericks, to illustrate points.)

Alas for Lord Russell, getting out his Silk Cuts, we were on one of BR's politically correct non-smoking trains.

Did I know the story of his father and smoking? In 1948 the septuagenarian philosopher was a passenger on a Norwegian flying-boat. "They gave him a non-smoking seat, but he declared: 'If I can't smoke I will *die*.' And when it landed in the sea, and broke its back, all the non-smoking seats sank straight to the bottom, while the smokers were thrown clear, and my father swam to safety. So what he said was literally the case."



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What is perhaps most engaging about the amiable professor-earl is that he lists, among his recreations in *Who's Who*, "uxoriousness", sandwiched between swimming and cricket. A notable statement of marital fidelity from the son of a thrice-divorced, libidinous father. "I simply asked myself, what do I do for pleasure when I get away from work? Of course it is a luxury. The only thing wrong with marriage is not seeing enough of each other. As my wife said last night, when I told her I would be appearing on *News at Ten* and *Newsnight*, she would have to love me on television, by virtual reality."

Anyone seeking a contrast between this week's picture of modern students' sexual habits and the recent past need look no further than Russell's courtship of his wife Elizabeth, a historian herself. They met while he was teaching at Bedford College and she was his pupil. "I like to say I falsified the first statement she ever made to me: she walked in and said, 'I am Miss Sanders'."

This was 1960, long before dons had to be on their guard against charges of sexual harassment by women students, but Russell proceeded with delicacy when he found himself falling in love. "I applied two rules: first, courtship could not proceed unless my intentions were in the old-fashioned way strictly honourable, which meant I had to be very sure and know her very well first. Second, that nothing should happen which I couldn't avow either to her parents or to my senior colleagues, both of whom knew as soon as there was anything definite to know — and they could not have been nicer."

Yet there was no hint of censure from the professor about student morals today. "I was very glad when the judge said this was not a court of morals. The case turned on the basic fact of what happened. It was always clear that he had stopped the moment she said no, so 'no means no' was not an issue. The question is whether he was entitled to presume she had consented, when she eagerly made love to him, went to sleep in the bed beside him, and then reached out a hand and started stroking him during the night, and he reacted. And if that is rape, every married man in the country has committed it." Quite.

"The only thing I have been censorious about, because it makes them do what they don't intend, is the habit of mixing drinks. I learnt that myself the hard way," added Lord Russell, recalling undergraduate days when, on a summer evening on the lawn at Somerville, the brother of the hostess laced the wine cup with vodka. "The only person who left that party sober was Brian Walden, who had been too busy talking about the Labour party to get drunk."

Going to Oxford instead of Cambridge like his father was deliberate: "One doesn't like being labelled second edition." His father was not hard to get on with, but he was hard to follow.

The young Conrad spent part of his infancy in the United States, where Bertrand Russell was stranded at the outbreak of war, a visiting fellow at various campuses until New York City College deemed his *Marriage and Morals* corrupting to the young, disqualifying him from teaching mathematical logic. "His *History of Western Philosophy* was the result, and we lived on the advance."

His parents' divorce divided him from his father for many years. After various schools, he fetched up at Eton. "I arrived never having knowingly met a Conservative, at a time when anyone who did not share that political correctitude was pitied. I remember a history beak saying, 'Look here, Russell and Anderson, I wish you could explain why you disapprove of British imperialism'. Anderson was *New Left* Perry Anderson. But parts of Eton were excellent: a first-rate library, and they did teach one to work on one's own."

He sent his own two sons to a state school, William Ellis in Camden. His heir, Viscount Amberley, is now an aspiring Labour politician at Lancaster University, while the younger is reading strategic studies at Aberystwyth.

At their age, Lord Russell could not decide whether to take up history, politics or the law. This week he has been able to follow all three in one day: "In court all morning; a parliamentary question at 2.30 on the poverty trap; back to court to hear the verdict; teaching in college from 4.30 to 7.30. A hattrick of vocations."

He succeeded his eccentric older half-brother, the late John Conrad (Bertrand Russell so revered his friend the writer Joseph Conrad that he named both his sons Conrad) in 1988. Now he sits happily in the upper house with Lords Jenkins and Grimond, as the Lib Dems' spokesman on social security. Having wavered for years between Labour and Liberal parties, he burned his boats in 1974 during the miners' strike election campaign. "The political correctitudes of Right and Left I find equally off-putting. They are the enemies of thought."

Only at the end of Bertrand Russell's life did Conrad become close to his father again. "And we became devoted to my stepmother Edith" [Russell's fourth and last wife]. "She and my wife recognised each other instantly as being the same personality. So he and I ended up being suited in effect by the same kind of wife — one who has a healthy mixture of total acceptance and an astringent lack of respect."

If it seemed odd that a history professor should become so vocally supportive of the intimate details of a student's life, Lord Russell explains that King's takes its responsibilities to undergraduates seriously, like an Oxford college. Austen Donnellan had come to him as soon as the girl made her accusation. He had also had to deal with a woman student who had been raped by a stranger at knifepoint, but refused to go to the police, "which I understood: there was a limit to what she could go through. I do know about rape being traumatic. Perhaps no man can ever really imagine what it means, but one can try."

Surely he agrees that "date rape", alias drunken post-party shenanigans, should be dealt with differently from attacks by strangers? "No. I agree with Austen's solicitor: I don't see a gradation of severity, I see a spectrum. The two points which make rape are refusal of consent and the use of force. In this case there was no suggestion of violence, even accepting every word the girl said."

But if we call that rape, and a jury had found Austen guilty, would he have been branded a rapist, when he was not? "One has to trust the system of criminal justice, though it is sometimes hard. As Stephen Gardiner, Henry VIII's Bishop of Winchester, said when a court went against him, 'I take it for law because the lawyers so said, but my reason digested it not'. But I didn't have to use that, because the law came up to scratch. This case confirmed my faith in British justice."

Some still question whether it should be a matter for British justice at all. Russell says it might not have been, if the Crown Prosecution Service were properly run. "Do you know how many photo-copiers they have serving 19 courts at the Old Bailey? One. If it breaks down, all 19 courts have to stop, at a cost to public funds of £8,000 per court per day. They really can't check their cases properly on that basis, and if they make mistakes, I don't think it's their fault."

A final thought. Did his father really say, when asked what he would do if a German soldier raped his sister, "I should endeavour to interpose my body between them"? "Probably. The phrase is characteristic. I could probably find a source for it," added the professor academically, "though I couldn't footnote it."

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Mothers give breast a rest

Social pressure is forcing women to stop breast-feeding their babies in public, **Gillian Bowditch** says

THE BRITISH sense of decorum is not what it used to be. Forty years ago a hint of too much décolletage at dinner was enough to get a girl talked about in some circles. These days breasts are being bared from the Paris catwalks to the beach at Brighton (although, admittedly, not in October).

The British, for years considered prudish by southern European neighbours, have shaken off that image. A flash of nipple, particularly from Naomi Campbell or Kate Moss, rarely offends. But there is one exception. Breast-feed a baby in public and, according to some men, you are indulging in "embarrassing exhibitionism" and "disgusting behaviour".

John Lewis recently asked a woman to leave the restaurant of one of its stores because she was breast-feeding her baby. Sheila Barclay, who has two young children and who was breast-feeding her five-month-old daughter Kay, was told by the manageress that store policy did not allow it.



Breast-feeding of babies is in decline

A spokesman for the store says: "It is the case that we feel the majority of our customers would not like to see breast-feeding in public." This is from a chain store that tries to cater for mothers and babies and which has an excellent reputation for fitting and selling the nursing bras which help to make public breast-feeding easy and discreet.

Health professionals have been advocating breast-feeding for years. The World Health Organisation recommends feeding babies exclusively on breast milk for the first five or six months of life, but in the 1990s there is a backlash against the breast.

The biggest objection to breast-feeding in this country comes from 15 to 24 year olds, who are the ones most likely to find the practice "disgusting". Men in the north of England are more strongly opposed to breast-feeding in public than those elsewhere in the country.

A recent National Opinion Poll for the Royal College of Midwives showed that 57 per cent of men disagreed with breast-feeding in public despite half having children in their households. And 19 per cent of all men questioned said breast-feeding should be done only in the privacy of the home.

In addition, grandmothers who had their babies in the high-tech 1960s when the breast was shunned in favour of the bottle fear that their grandchildren are not getting enough nutrition from the breast alone and advocate supplementary bottle feeds. Researchers at Newcastle Polytechnic say that the more frequently a woman sees her mother, the less likely she is to breast-feed.

The Royal College of Midwives says there has been a 25 per cent drop in the last three years in the number of women who carry on breast-feeding six weeks after the birth of their baby. Britain now has one of the lowest rates of breast-feeding in Europe.

Faced with a howling, hungry infant and with hostility at feeding in public many mothers simply give up breast-feeding and make a bolt for the bottle. The National Childbirth Trust has heard of one instance in the United States where a woman was sued for sexual harassment for feeding her child in public.

So why does breast-feeding a baby discreetly in a public place cause such reactions? According to a spokesman for the Royal College of Midwives, men find it "embarrassing, disgusting and exhibitionist".

SHE says: "Its largely to do with the confusion men feel about the function of women's breasts. They are extremely potent sexual images. But men need to be educated to understand that breasts can have two functions".

Michel Odent, the natural childbirth guru and author of *The Nature of Birth and Breastfeeding*, concurs: "A woman who is breast-feeding is not receptive to the demands of the male and the male is not attracted to breast-feeding females".

Labour's tearoom plotters have proved that positive discrimination won't work

Injured parties



LIBBY PURVES

And let it be a lesson to us all! Personally, I have a lot of time for Harriet Harman, Ann Clwyd, and Clare Short. All three seem to me perfectly suited to administration: they would do it with less fuss and venality than many of the shifty bunch in trousers who people the front benches. They are good women for the job, and no actual purpose has been served by the Labour party's having kept them out of the shadow cabinet.

Nonetheless, my heart took a small, surprising leap when it became apparent that in a tearoom plot this week, Labour MPs meekly obeyed the letter of the new party rule — about voting for at least four women — while utterly disregarding its spirit.

Crafty tactical voting was made possible by the candidature of one or two women no modern Labourite would vote for with a bargepole; on these women they insincerely lavished votes which ought to have gone to the likes of Harriet Harman. The net result, of course, was that no sooner was "positive discrimination" solemnly written into the party rules than the number of women in the shadow cabinet fell from four to three.

Admittedly, it would have been even funnier if the chaps had got their wires crossed and ended up electing — say — Mildred Gordon, thus saddling themselves with a far-leftist who was also female. But never mind. The thing they did to the Labour women on the Night of the Long Teaspoons was unfair but ultimately quite useful. It will jangle some alarm bells without permanently impeding any careers. The rebels demonstrated the salutary truth that for senior jobs, formal positive discrimination never works.

Informal positive discrimination, of course, works a treat. Women are fairly new to public and professional leadership in Britain, and even the best of them sometimes needs to be shored up. Not by a cumbersome quota system, but by a lot of quiet encouragement: an enlightened appointments policy which makes an effort to understand its own prejudices; a discreet and trustworthy mentor, and perhaps a supportive lieutenant of the Willie Whitelaw kind.

The only place to play around with quotas is at the very bottom of the ladder, where it actually works in a simple, unworrying way. Take the headmaster who set aside computer and workshop time for girls only, the rest of the time being shared. His motives were entirely pragmatic: he did it because the boys were visibly hogging the equipment, being at an aggressive stage. If the girls had not used their special time, it would have been taken away.

Similarly, it makes sense for traditionally male professions to work hard at recruiting women trainees, if only to widen the pool of talent. In engineering apprenticeship this is being done with considerably energy: there are even moments when employers let a good woman beat an equally good man *pour encourager les autres*. Indeed, a group of young women engineers once told me that their main problem was not male teasing, but the boring insistence of their employers that they keep leaving their VDUs or taking off their hard hats to talk to the media or to schools about the glory of being a woman in engineering.

After such a kick-start, however, and given reasonable support (which we are not) by the tax system, women are better on their own. Positive discrimination for senior positions only makes men defensive and paranoid, and women aggressive, because they are never quite sure in their inmost hearts that they got the job on merit. No sneer cuts deeper than "token woman"; nothing sours a triumph faster than the suggestion "they wanted a woman". If an institution is stupid enough to put any such desire in the rulebook, those sneers will poison the whole system. Deplorable, but true.

But as the years go by, the education of girls is taken increasingly seriously, and small, useful leg-ups given early on. I bet that on the employment mountain we shall see ever more women appearing above the tree-line, crying "Excelsior!" as convincingly as any man and heading for the high plateaux.

Some, after all, already have. Who can erase, in National Thatcher Week, the extraordinary impression of the BBC documentary about her early years? Every interview with every poor old Tory grandee confirmed it: lapels quivered, eyes watered and the smell of terror overcame that of bay-rum and cigars as she cut through swathes of lordly gents like a shapely scythe. She ate them up and spat them out: she was Bertie Wooster's Aunt Agatha, she was Lady Bracknell, Boadicea and Gloriana.

Couldn't stand most of her policies, myself; but she did prove, like Barbara Castle before her, that a fiery woman can burn her way through the densest masculine flannel like a hot iron through blankets. And any help she had will lie way back, half-forgotten: in memories of a father, encouragement of a husband, perhaps in some early selection board's giving her the benefit of the doubt when she was young and gauche. Beyond that, let her be unsexed, and taken on her merits.

Off with their heads

Who are the masters now? Heads of Oxbridge colleges have a thankless job, says **Julia Llewellyn Smith**



Centuries of tradition provide many of the attractions for the Great and the Good to become masters of colleges

Are you an ambassador, a captain of industry, a Queen's Counsel, or any other member of the Great and the Good? Do you have an Oxbridge education and numerous wealthy friends? Are you nearing retirement age? Do you fancy spending your twilight years in palatial surroundings, dining every night in brilliant company and having a magnificent cellar at your disposal?

When put that way, there are few who could refuse an invitation to be the head of an Oxford or Cambridge college. If any doubts lingered, you could consult Betjeman, who in 1938 wrote: "The ease of the life of a Head of House usually leads to longevity".

More than 50 years on, however, being a master of a college is not quite the glittering prize the job description implies.

True, the feasts are as lavish, the wine as splendid and the buildings as perfect as they have always been. But no one mentions the bad pay, the interminable fund-raising and the duty to recruit students from the widest possible range without jeopardising the college's position in the academic league tables.

No one tells you about the petty feuds you will be expected to referee, the bores you will have to entertain, and the hours you will spend chairing the dustbin committee.

"The problem with being Head of House is that it's a non-job," says one Cambridge professor. "It has tremendous prestige, but most of the work you do is bloody boring. It's all right as a retirement job, but why anyone at a healthy age would want it, I can't imagine."

His words were borne out earlier this month when it was announced that John Tusa had resigned as President of Wolfson College, Cambridge. At 57, Mr Tusa, the former head of the BBC World Service, had been in the job for only eight months, the shortest recorded period of tenure as a college head. He was leaving, he said, because of an "irreconcilable clash of cultures".

The news was a terrible blow to Wolfson, which as one of the university's poorer colleges had, like many others in financial difficulties, appointed Mr Tusa for his high profile and fund-raising contacts.

To make matters worse, Mr Tusa's resignation letter was then leaked to *Varsity*, the Cambridge student newspaper. "I suddenly realised I had better things to do with my time," he wrote of his decision.

He added that the college was not prepared to give him the facilities he needed, the president's lodge was never made available to him, and he cited difficulties between himself and the college council ever since he had suspended the college's senior tutor, John Cathie, last summer over a "personal matter".

Nor did Mr Tusa's informal manner endear him to the old guard. "I'm new too," he is said to have told new students. "Please don't hesitate to come to see me if you have any problems. After all, I'm only a journalist." Since then he and Wolfson have retained a dignified silence. But senior common rooms have been baying for the blood of the man who so publicly slighted their community.

"When anyone breaks rank, Cambridge will clam up and present a united front," says one Cambridge don.

"I have been angry and shocked by how people have blackguarded John. Everyone is pretending it's all his fault."

> 'The problem with being Head of House is that it's a non-job. Most of the work is boring'

The problem, it seems, is that in his innocence Mr Tusa presumed that "president" was just another word for "boss". He did not realise that his job held responsibility, but no power.

"Heads of Houses don't tend to have much authority," says one Oxford tutor.

"The vice-master and council really run the show, the president is there to be a good figurehead with good contacts. It is certainly not his job to give orders.

"It was very naive to suspend a senior tutor," he adds. "These people wield a lot of power and can make life very difficult for one."

To the dons, Mr Tusa behaved like a first former barging into the prefects' common room. "Outsiders just don't know the conventions," says the tutor. "It's a risk you take when you just don't know the place. But these conventions are needed.

"Colleges could be pretty uncivilised places without them, with everyone working and living on top of one another."

The don from Cambridge is more damning. "A college is an unruly and difficult place. Dons are intelligent and very cloistered people, who are extremely querulous and love backbiting. There is a constant shifting of alliances.

"A newcomer comes across constant pitfalls and Tusa must have thought: 'I have better things to do with my life than chew the fat in these circumstances'."

Mr Tusa's parting shot — that Wolfson (and by extension, Cambridge) had a "deep fear of real involvement with the outside world" — has cut the university to the quick. Outsiders are already treated with deep suspicion — Germaine Greer had no luck at winning the mastership of Sidney Sussex, Cambridge — and now the door may be shut to them permanently.

"There used to be the Lord Goodmans, the Oliver Franks, but now we are turning away from grandees," says the Cambridge don.

"They are lured here on false pretences, when all they are wanted for is fundraising, and they are very sad when they realise there is no time to develop other interests."

It may be no coincidence that this week another outsider, Sir David Calcutt, resigned as master of Magdalene, Cambridge, at the age of 63. His tenure still had several years to run.

"Magdalene is in fearfully deep trouble," says the don. "It over-expanded with an unwise property development, and it may well be that Sir David had had enough."

For those who know all the rules, however, the game can still be extremely enjoyable. Ruth Deech, the principal of St Anne's College, Oxford, for two years, after 21 years in the college, says: "Most people really enjoy the job. There are many niggles and disappointments, there is a rather low salary, but there is also great pleasure to be had. It's great fun to meet the undergraduates and other academics.

"You take the blame when things go wrong, but you also, rather unfairly, take the credit for the good things."

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A man with a crutch is not necessarily in need of a woman to give up her seat

Here is a gammy peg for a piece of prose. But it could be verse. I have lost my crutches, as Tom said lamely, and this will have to do as a peg-leg for the crurally challenged. I did not realise how much I needed both legs, even when seated all day at the keyboard, until I broke one of them. Every act, from charging to the library to verify a reference to finding said reference when you get there, takes ten times as long. The policy of propping oneself against the end window in the Underground in order to avoid unseemly scramble over seats is undone, since everybody from uniformed schoolgirl to pregnant grandmother starts offering you her seat, and it becomes conspicuously ungracious to refuse. But it is ageing.

Shaving has become as teetering a job as felling a redwood to cries of "timber!", when the shaver is perched on the left leg like a stork, with hands fiddling around the chin instead of acting as balances. One can fall backwards into a bath, but it is prudent to make sure that the water is not too hot first. Taking the kerb at the charge in a wheelchair, I propelled myself through the air like a rocket and frightened the traffic. The grooves in escalators decapitate crutches as they have chewed the end off every umbrella I have ever tried to manage.

And I need a snappy riposte to all those cracks about "Yo-ho-ho" and "Where's your parrot?" That opening of *Treasure Island*, with the old sea-dog, nut-brown and with tarry pigtail falling over the shoulders of his soiled blue coat, asking Jim to keep his weather-eye open for a seafaring man with one leg, is nearly as pleasurably alarming an intro as the first scene of *Hamlet*, where the the relief is so spooked up that he challenges the guard instead of the other way round. But apart from Long John Silver, the lame keep a low profile in literature.

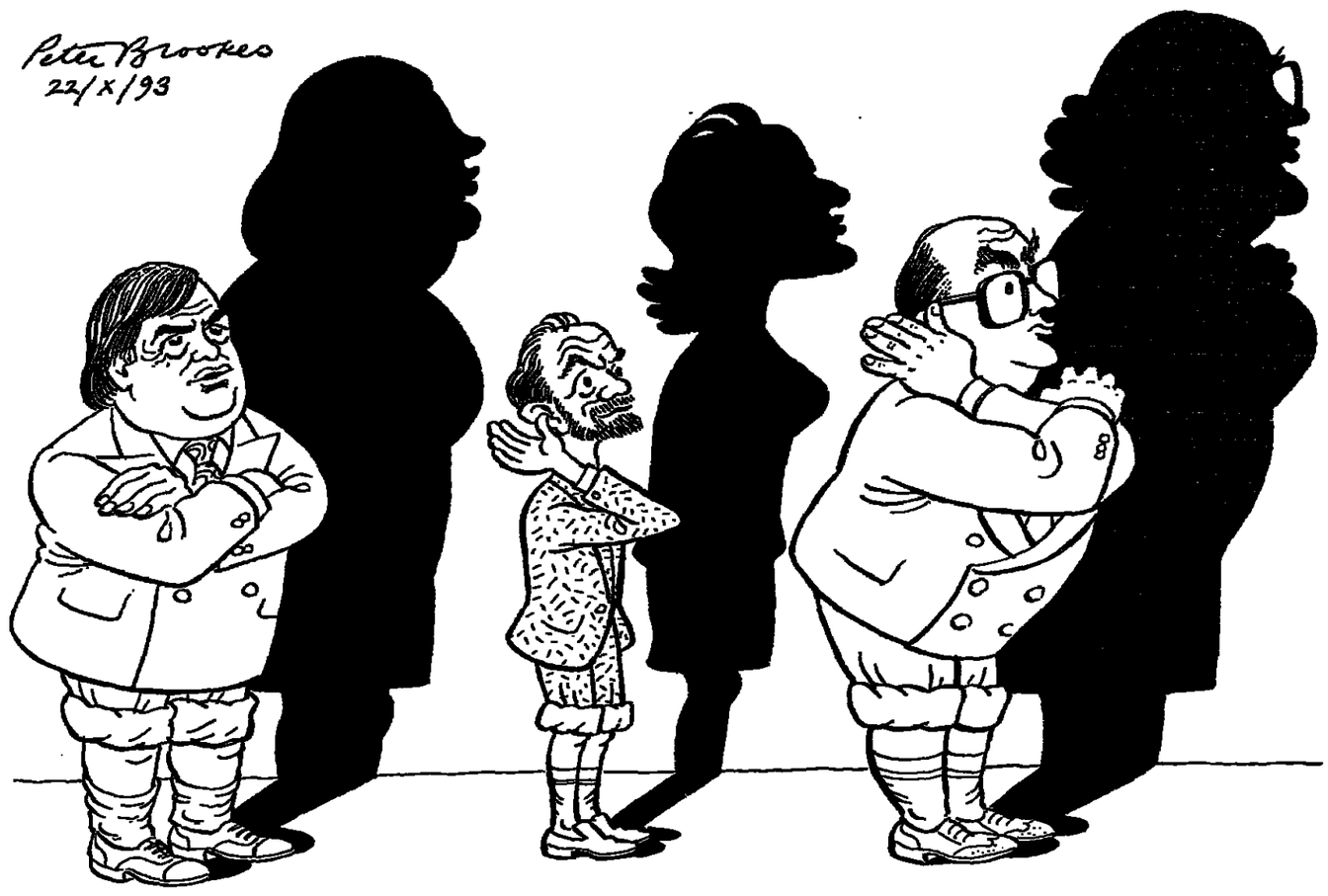
Hephaestus (Vulcan), the heavenly blacksmith and artificer with fire, was the legitimate son of Hera and Zeus, and was born lame. Hera was so peeved by his handicap that she chucked him out of heaven. He took a whole day falling, and eventually landed on the island of Lemnos, which was thenceforth sacred to the lame blacksmith. And he gave Milton a peg-leg for his spell in *Paradise Lost*:

> . . . From morn
> To noon he fell, from noon to dewy eve,
> A summer's day; and with the setting sun
> Dropped from the zenith, like a falling star,
> On Lemnos, the Aegean isle.

Apart from that, Hephaestus made the first joke in Western literature, when he trapped his peccant wife Aphrodite (Venus) making love to Ares (Mars), the hearty god of war, in unbreakable gossamer chains, and called all the other gods and goddesses to see their shame. Apollo and Hermes sniggered that it would be worth being tied up in three times as many chains to lie beside Aphrodite in her nighty, and painters from Boucher in the Wallace Collection to Veronese in the Metropolitan have recorded the scene.

Oedipus is not such a good role model for the lame, though he would have had an answer to the riddle of "where's your parrot, then?" Philoctetes might be as good on crutches as he was with the bow. But the best hero for us lame is Byron, who never let his gimpy leg interfere with cricket, boxing, scribbling, and other sporting activities. He wrote: "This morning I swam from Sestos to Abydos, the immediate distance is not above a mile but the current renders it hazardous, so much so, that I doubt whether Leander's conjugal powers must not have been exhausted in his passage to Paradise."

St Giles, who took an arrow in his knee to protect a pet deer, is our patron saint, and is commemorated at St Giles Cripplegate in the City of London and the high kirk in Edinburgh. The cripple in Cripplegate has nothing to do with cripples, but is a homophonic misunderstanding of the Anglo-Saxon words for burrow or den, of the kind we still love in newspapers. As in *site* for *sight passim*, or, as we put it the other day, the "exaltation" by Lord Woolf that judges should not overreact to the current concern about crime. In scazons or limping iambics, dragging their slow length along, help all us lame-brained hacks over our daily styles, Giles. The lame foot may overtake the swift one in the end, but it is a damnably tedious business waiting for this to happen.



How to achieve positive discrimination in the Shadow Cabinet

But they are *our* crooks

We don't believe a word of what they say, but thank goodness we regard our politicians with ridicule, not terror

Bernard Levin

I am still basking in *The Daily Telegraph*'s Gallup poll about the way we view our politicians. If you missed it, here are some perfectly delightful excerpts. The questions were put with an almost brutal exactitude: the respondents were asked whether they felt that our politicians are being truthful, or whether they believed that the pols were spouting the party line, or whether they didn't know. The wonderful, glorious, eternally memorable answer was that in the don't know column there were 4 per cent, that in the politicians-are-truthful column there were 6 per cent, and that in the column for those who believed that our politicians are only spouting the party line, 91 per cent cried "Aye!" (Yes, I know that that added up to 101 per cent, and I was tempted to say that with politicians they will always give you 99 pence for a pound, but it was only Gallup rounding up the numbers.)

It gets better. The next questions were "Do you feel that the politicians try to answer the question?", "Do you feel that they are frequently evasive?", or "Do you not know?" The "don't knows" managed 3 per cent; "they try to answer the question" clocked up all of 4 per cent, and in the bucket labelled "Do you feel that they are frequently evasive?", a splendid 93 per cent cried "Hurrah, whoopee, just as I thought, go it, boo, rats, sack the lot, ooh you thieving bastards" and many more such tributes to our governors.

But it gets even better. The next question was "Do you feel that our politicos often break new ground?", or "Do you feel you've heard it all before?", or, again, "Don't you know?" Now, the don't know contingent comprised 4 per cent, the barmy lot of suckers who professed to believe that politicians "fairly often break new ground" made up a tremendous 2 per cent, and 94 per cent, no less, vowed that when it comes to politicians, you've heard it all.

And indeed so you have. But there is more juice — much more — to be squeezed. For instance, "How often do you hear a politician admit ignorance?" Add "not very often" to "almost never", and you have got a sturdy 94 per cent. Do the same when it comes to "How often do you hear a politician of one party praise a politician of another party for having got something right?", and you can lean back with a sack of "not very often and almost never" — indeed, your sack has 95 per cent in it. And if you do the same with how often you have heard a politician admit to making a mistake, you can fetch yourself 96 coconuts, leaving only four on the tree.

There is much mirth in this tale, and I have laughed as heartily as anyone, particularly when the survey went into sincerity ratings, in which Virginia Bottomley came last, with a rating of 27 per cent sincere and a record 59 per cent insincere. (As a matter of fact I don't think Mrs Bottomley is in the least insincere, and I am astonished to find her so low in the ratings. My problem with her is that I just want to strangle her.)

But there are many different echoes in this story. However much of the Gallup findings you write off as frivolous, they say something very significant about our political life: something, moreover, that may just turn out not to be a matter for laughter.

Politicians of all parties are in general despised; they rate below journalists and even below lawyers. The reason for the low esteem of journalism is that the trade — at its lowest — involves getting things wrong and getting things made up, intruding into places where newspapers are rightly not welcomed, stuffing them with sleaze, and many similar charges.

The contempt — perhaps hatred is not too strong — for lawyers (some of my dearest friends are lawyers) is based on different principles. They are seen as rapacious, heartless, willing to denounce on Tuesday what they praise on Wednesday, and denounce on Wednesday what they praise on Thursday, tell the most monstrous lies for their clients, and above all, do not care if some poor devil, torn to pieces in the witness-box, is ruined because he couldn't talk as eloquently as his tormentor.

These descriptions are, of course, exaggerated and in certain respects grossly unjust, but I am not apportioning blame and virtue. I am looking through the eyes of the public. And I think that there is a difference, perhaps a crucial difference, between the two professions upon which I have just thrown a shadow and the profession of politician, which got such a contemptuous rating right through the Gallup examination.

Mind; what Gallup was recording was not the quality, honesty, ambition, indifference, greed, service, loyalty and least of all intelligence of the politicians; it was how the public sees them. If it sees them as the rubbish the investigation said they were, it is no use their saying they are no such thing, just as the journalists and the lawyers can insist from morning to night that they are *sans peur et sans reproche* without anybody believing it. And my point is that if every scribbler and every I-put-it-to-you never comes out from under their shadow, it will not matter very much, whereas if the politicians can never wash off the stain, it may matter a great deal.

Why? Because, of course, for one thing, the politicians can do things to us that affect us very considerably. We do not need to read the newspapers, or at least the ones we dislike, nor do we go to law unless we are dragged there, kicking and screaming, but we cannot shoo the man from the government from our doorsteps without three such men coming back threatening us with all kinds of punishments.

But that is not the most important thing with the relation between the politician and the citizen; nor is the help the citizen can call upon from his own politician (if, that is, he knows his own politician's name, which is unlikely). It is not even that we have votes at voting-time, and we can hope (well, anyone can hope) that something good will come of a change of governments. What we must remember is, first, that democracy had to be fought for over the years, and if we despise it too long and too vehemently, we may have to fight for it again one day. Secondly, it is well established that if you call a man a rotter, a blighter, a beast, a cad, a limb of satan, a scallywag, a knave, a scoundrel and a man who eats biscuits in bed, and if you go on calling him these things long enough, he will begin to take on the lineaments of the abuse, and in time he will *be* such.

But perhaps the most important reason for not despising our governors is that if we get them in front of a mirror, and then look over their shoulders, so that we stare back at ourselves as well as at them, a cold shudder will go down our spines, as we recognise the resemblance. They are we, and we are they, and in our kind of government that must be. There are far more nations in our world which have no freedom for their peoples than there are nations like ours, who can throw out our leaders, and do it without fear. But in all those which deny freedom, if you try the mirror test and look side by side with those who rule with force rather than choice, the shudder down the back will be far more chilling, as we realise that the tyrant is *not* like us.

Rulers and ruled; if we think about that balance long enough we shall begin to smile: we don't think our leaders think that what they are doing is ruling. But that is because wherever they go, there will always be someone to remind them that they are made of the same stuff as is the one who is doing the reminding.

Fortunately, we despise our governors — see the survey — with laughter, not contempt, let alone anger. And that, I believe, is because deep beneath consciousness those who jeer at the readings of the Gallup poll are nevertheless seized of the truth: the truth that we, as a nation, do not divide ourselves into two camps, and even if we did, the division would not be between those who rule and those who are ruled.

There is another rather heartening aspect of this. At election time, we vote in very impressive numbers. At a general election, for instance, we almost always clock up more than 70 per cent, usually nearer 75. Whatever that means, it cannot mean that we do not prize our democratic rights, to the shame of the United States, where in even a presidential contest barely half the voters can bother to go to the polls.

Well, to you and me, a wish to be a politician is a bizarre, even lunatic thought. No doubt the politician thinks we are equally crazy for not wanting to sit upon the green leather of the House of Commons. But we shall never to come to blows over the argument.

Politically correct and inept

John Smith is in a straitjacket, says **Peter Riddell**

The bluff has, for once, been called on political correctness. Labour's attempt to increase the number of women in its shadow cabinet has backfired — to the irritation of many female MPs, to the raucous laughter of some male MPs, and to the public embarrassment of party leaders. But the results could easily have turned out very differently — with more, rather than fewer, women being elected.

The saga illustrates not only the self-defeating folly of quotas to assist particular groups, but also the drawbacks of electing the whole team shadowing the government.

The annual elections are little to do with ability as potential ministers. Commons performances obviously help: Robin Cook's success in topping the poll followed his sharp attacks on the government. But several poor performers did well. Success reflects personal and regional alliances as much as ideology and record. Despite the high votes of Mr Cook, Robin Prescott and Frank Dobson, there is no real evidence of a shift to the left. The leading advocates of modernising Labour's approach, Gordon Brown and Tony Blair, slipped back slightly, to just below the top. But they retain their positions as shadow chancellor and home secretary, and still have the opportunity to regain the initiative after being on the defensive recently.

Until the early 1980s, Labour MPs elected a shadow cabinet of 12 in addition to the leader and deputy leader. Since Labour leaders have to pick their initial cabinets from the shadow cabinet before the election, an incoming prime minister had freedom not just in shifting people around but also in bringing in some talented MPs from outside to make up a full cabinet of 20 to 22. In October 1964, Harold Wilson brought into his first cabinet Richard Crossman and, less successfully; Anthony Greenwood. In March 1974, he brought in Barbara Castle, Roy Mason and Eric Varley.

But this flexibility was reduced as the shadow cabinet rose from 12 to 15 in 1981, and then up to 18 in 1989. That was when MPs were first required to vote for at least three women among their number, which was quickly dubbed the "assisted places scheme" by male MPs.

Even after a big rise at the last election, fewer than one in six Labour MPs are female. And, despite the party's commitment to advancing women, chauvinist tendencies persist among some male MPs from the north, Scotland and Wales. Some male MPs complained during the summer about the performance of the four women members of the shadow cabinet, Harriet Harman, Ann Taylor, Ann Clwyd and Marjorie Mowlam (in addition to deputy leader Margaret Beckett). Ms Harman and Mrs Taylor have been out of their depth shadowing public spending and education, but they were no worse than several male spokesman such as David Clark (defence) or Tom Clarke (embarrassingly bad on Scottish affairs).

So when some male, and a few female Labour MPs failed to block moves to increase from three to four the number of women who have to receive votes, there were attempts to undermine the change. This was assisted by the record number of women standing — 15 — so votes could be spread. Some male MPs also deliberately "wasted" their votes on some women not reckoned to have a chance — such as the fringe left-wingers Irene Adams and Mildred Gordon, both of whom did very well — to reduce the chances of stronger runners. This worked, just, but if only a few votes had been switched, David Blunkett, Jack Cunningham and overdue newcomer George Robertson would have been defeated, and six rather than three women (down from four) would have been elected. This could easily happen next year.

The change in the shadow cabinet rules is only one part of a general movement to boost the number of women at the top of the Labour party and in Parliament by mandatory quotas. At least one woman has to be elected to the party's ruling national executive committee. From next year it will be two, which could in theory squeeze out Mr Blair, one of the party's best performers. Last month's party conference agreed that there would be women-only shortlists in half the winnable seats. Worried that the proposal would be electorally unattractive, as well as impracticable, some Labour leaders hoped that the Equal Opportunities Commission would come to the rescue. But yesterday the commission ruled that the plan did not contravene the Sex Discrimination Act.

More significant than the furore over women is the straitjacket which electing an 18-strong team imposes on the party leader. John Smith was discovering again yesterday that he has little freedom of manoeuvre in allocating portfolios. He sought to reassure the women's lobby by reappointing Ms Harman as shadow chief secretary and Mrs Taylor at education despite the criticisms of their performance. He still has at least one dud (Mr Clarke) and a further six who present no trouble to their Tory opposite numbers.

Mr Smith has managed to hide most of the weak performers, and has put the the key posts. It may not excite, but it is probably about the best that can be managed after so long in opposition. Labour, like the Tories, is suffering from a long period of one-party rule.

Delighted of Dulwich

MARGARET THATCHER may have spent only a few nights in the Barratt home she once owned in Dulwich, but evidently she still has a soft spot for the genteel London suburb. She has just donated a cheque for £1,000 to the Dulwich Picture Gallery, Britain's oldest public art gallery.

Her cheque came in response to a request for material for an exhibition about Dulwich and its better-known residents. Baroness Thatcher replied that she could not send photographs or information, because her stay in the area was so short. "Lady Thatcher has asked me to say how much she liked the Dulwich area," wrote her assistant, Cynthia Crawford. "Unfortunately, it took a longer time generally than envisaged to get to the House of Commons when she departed from Number 10 . . . I enclose here a cheque for £1,000 towards the funds for the gallery."

The gallery, which was saved earlier this year from closure by a £200,000 donation from the Clore Foundation, earned Thatcher's gratitude after it lent her two paintings for No 10. "We lent her William Hogarth's *Portrait of an Unknown Man* and another portrait by Thomas Gainsborough," says a gallery spokesman. "She was very keen they should be British artists."

The gallery has found its own photo of Lady Thatcher for the exhibition, but in hanging it has risked offending her patriotic sensibilities. It is placed beside another famous Dulwich resident, Lord Haw Haw, who was executed in 1946 for treason, after broadcasting German propaganda.

● *Sentiment clearly plays no part in this government's decision-making. The South West London Hospital Review Steering Group has recommended that both in-patient services and the accident and emergency department at Queen Mary's Hospital, Roehampton, be closed. This despite the fact that John Major was born there, as was at least one of Virginia Bottomley's children.*

Jingle all the way

CHART-TOPPING English National Opera soprano Lesley Garrett, better known for her corsets than her contralto, has come to the musical aid of Classic FM. Garrett has just completed six vocal jingles for the radio station.

"She kept commenting whenever she came in that it wasn't fair that we didn't have singing jingles. In the end she just volunteered to do them and we took her off to the studio," says Will Sussman, producer of the programme *Classic Report*. It must, however, have required a little more planning than that, for Garrett is backed by the Royal Philharmonic.

Speech impediment

MARGARET THATCHER set the trend when she stole John Major's thunder at the Tory party conference. Now Lord Lawson is likely to grab the Chancellor's glory, by returning to his old stamping ground, the Mansion House, to deliver a speech to City businessmen just before Kenneth Clarke's Budget on November 30.

Lawson has agreed to be the guest speaker at a City luncheon held by the British Dyslexia Association on November 16. The event will be one of the first functions at the Mansion House since its £11 million refurbishment.

"It's a pre-Budget City lunch, and I am sure the present Chancellor will find it interesting," says Diana Baring, vice-president of the association. She adds that Lawson "is obviously tremendously in favour of literary issues. I spoke to him today and I think he will be very stimulating."

Lawson will of course be all too familiar with his surroundings at the lunch. It was there, in the autumn of 1989, that he announced that the British people had "temporarily forgotten the habit of thrift". Faced with the huge budget deficit, Clarke might well feel the same of the government in 1993.

● *Enoch Powell's provocative assessment in Edinburgh yesterday that Lady Thatcher was "no thinker" but had some sort of female "instinct" was hardly gallant. And something of a surprise coming from the man who after her Falklands victory so famously certified that Thatcher was made of "ferrous matter of the highest quality". But that was before ferrous intuition led Thatcher to the Anglo-Irish agreement, of course.*

Who's left behind?

IS Harriet Harman's drubbing in the shadow cabinet elections the revenge of male colleagues for her criticism of their sex in her latest book?

In *The Century Gap*, the Labour Treasury spokesperson, who clocked up only 99 votes, argues that women have entered the 21st century while men remain trapped in the 20th century. It's time they grew up, is her message.

She praises the quota system which guarantees women five seats in the shadow cabinet, because "the problem was that Labour MPs would not vote in large enough numbers for their female colleagues". But she adds presciently: "Men will be especially unwilling to share power if they feel that the women are not up to the job . . ."



Lynch mob

EITHER Mark Frost is a supreme diplomat or there is good news on its way for British actors and directors. For Frost, best known for creating the surreal *Twin Peaks* television series with David Lynch, wants Brits to feature large in the film version of his new novel, *The List of Seven*.

Universal has bought the film rights to the Victorian epic, which makes free with the life of Conan Doyle. "British actors would be very much in order," says Frost. "The main characters are between 25 and 35, so perhaps Daniel Day Lewis or Kenneth Branagh."

Despite serious reservations about the second series of *Twin Peaks*, Frost is already advanced on a sequel to the novel, provisionally entitled *The Six Messiahs*. "It's set ten years later, when Conan Doyle goes to the States and meets people like Thomas Edison." Sounds like we're talking a one film deal for the Brits.

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PROTECTING THE POLICE

Arming the police is not the answer to violent crime

The composed reaction of the police service yesterday to the murder of Police Constable Patrick Dunne was a tribute to its most admirable qualities. As they pledged to bring the guilty men to justice, senior officers had the foresight in the tense aftermath of the outrage to reaffirm their opposition to the arming of all policemen. They should be heeded, and supported in different ways.

Since its foundation in 1829, the police has always cherished its civilian status and resisted any tendency to militarisation. Britain is one of the few countries in the world, along with Eire and New Zealand, to have maintained an unarmed force, in spite of the hectic rise in armed robbery, terrorism and drug-related crime since the 1970s. The response of the police to increasingly violent crime has been to develop weapons specialisation: every area has an agreed number of authorised firearms officers and armed response vehicles. To go further and issue weapons routinely would seriously undermine the ideal of the officer on the beat, trusted by the community he serves, and would also force the service to adopt quite different recruitment criteria.

Comparisons with the experience of American police officers are invidious because the attitude of American society to guns is so different, enshrined in the Second Amendment which protects the right to bear arms. In his efforts to reinforce weapons controls, President Clinton challenges an article of libertarian faith and risks denying arms to all but criminals. In contrast, the supply of guns in this country is not yet so plentiful that it is beyond further control. It is to this that Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, should now address himself.

The restrictions on semi-automatic weapons introduced after the Hungerford massacre in 1987 are no longer sufficient for a society in which the growth of drug-related crime is rapidly increasing the use of weapons by offenders. As a starting point, Scotland Yard should intensify its efforts to trace the illicit weapons supply lines which are feeding organised crime in this country. Few areas of criminal intelligence will be as important in the next few decades.

To control the legal market, an absolute rule of one gun per certificate should be established and enforced. The burden of proof should lie with all gun-owners to demonstrate that they need the weapons they own. The right of the police to veto gun licences and inspect the conditions in which weapons are stored should be strengthened, and should certainly not be farmed out to a civilian board as the Home Office has suggested. Though such measures would be denounced by the gun lobby as draconian, they ought not to inhibit the legitimate pursuits of sportsmen and might reduce the supply of unrecorded, "off-ticket" guns which fall into the wrong hands.

Beyond this, the Home Office must ask whether the sentencing of those who attack officers is sufficiently strict to act even as a partial deterrent to armed criminals expecting to confront the police. Though further research is needed, there is anecdotal evidence that the judiciary has failed to match society's revulsion at this category of crime. Wisdom from the bench is always preferable to mandatory sentence structures; but Mr Howard should not rule out further legislation if judicial discretion fails. In most cases of this kind, life should mean life.

NO CHOICE FOR SERBIA

Milosevic has called elections to tighten his grip on power

President Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia is selective in his resort to the ballot box. For him elections are a way to remind the general public that he alone has real power and to underscore the divisions in the political opposition. He has other, more expeditious ways of dealing with his less threatening opponents, as he showed last June when he engineered the ousting of the president of former Yugoslavia, Dobrica Cosic and threw the nationalist opponent of the Bosnian war, Vuk Draskovic, in jail. But this time, he judged that the defection of his favourite political protegé and former ally, Vojislav Seselj, demanded the radical step of dissolving parliament and calling elections for December 19.

In the siege mentality gripping Serbia Mr Seselj, a paramilitary leader responsible for some of the war's worst atrocities, has a considerable popular following. He heads the thuggish right-wing ultra-nationalist Serbian Renewal party (SRS), which advocates the annexation of Macedonia and mass expulsions of non-Serbs from Kosovo and Serbia. With Mr Milosevic's blessing, his party won nearly a third of the parliamentary seats in last year's election, in which Mr Milosevic's ex-communist Socialist party failed to win an outright majority.

Until the two men quarrelled, a powerful ultra-nationalist party was useful to Mr Milosevic, above all in gulling foreign diplomats into dealing with him for fear of worse. But suddenly, Mr Seselj appeared to be about to topple the government in a vote of no confidence scheduled for next Monday. No Serbian government has been defeated for half a century. Rather than suffer such an affront to his prestige, Mr Milosevic struck first.

Mr Milosevic had become vulnerable to the SRS assault on two grounds. First, he was under attack not just for the "treason" of pressing the Bosnian Serbs to sign the latest peace plan, but for ruining the Serbian economy. Even though Mr Seselj's own policies would guarantee the continuation of international sanctions, this charge hurts. Inflation is 20 per cent a day, industrial production and gross national product are a third of 1989 levels and half the workforce is idle. With 75 per cent of the budget going to the army, the real economy is run by gangster armies which, most Serbians believe, Mr Milosevic's 75,000-strong police force could control if he gave the word.

In addition, some of the increasingly desperate and ill-organised small democratic opposition parties had decided that to get rid of the government, it was worth voting with the SRS. This unholy alliance came about because Mr Milosevic, who increasingly relies on violent intimidation, refused to heed opposition demands that he sack his powerful interior minister after several people were practically beaten to death. The alliance would certainly have held for the next piece of parliamentary business: legislation to free state television from Mr Milosevic's iron grip.

Thanks to this control of the broadcast media, in a society where few can now afford newspapers, Mr Milosevic will almost certainly win in December even if the democratic opposition does not boycott the poll. Most Serbs, fed a completely one-sided version of the Bosnian and Croatian conflicts and convinced of the outside world's injustice, are loyal. Most of those who are not are terrorised. Since there is little doubt that Mr Milosevic's absolute priority now is to end sanctions, a consolidation of his power would not damage what fragile prospects there are of peace. But he should be left in no doubt that an undemocratic election will bring him no easier terms from the outside world for calling off the dogs of war he himself unleashed.

NONSENSICAL ELECTION

Labour MPs have been shown up as male chauvinists

If Labour wanted to impress the voters as a party friendly to women, the shenanigans surrounding its shadow cabinet elections could not have backfired more effectively. The problem is not so much that one fewer woman was elected this year. It is that Labour MPs have now been exposed as the unreformed male-chauvinists that insiders always knew them to be. For it is clear from the figures that many MPs voted in a way that would keep the maximum number of women out of the shadow cabinet.

The debate over the place of women in the Labour party vividly illustrates the different strands that make up today's Labour movement. The archetypal male manual-worker trade unionist has always been as opposed to women's equality as the Tory squire. It is the radical socialists in the constituency parties who have been at the forefront of promoting women. The treatment of Harriet Harman at the hands of party members and of the parliamentary party is a neat demonstration of that dichotomy. In the elections to the constituency section of the national executive committee, she won a resounding second place. Yet in the shadow cabinet elections, she was knocked out altogether.

The mechanism that provides John Smith with his shadow cabinet is in itself extraordinary. In no other organisation of such size do the foot soldiers vote for their officers. A chief executive of a company would be furious if he could not choose his managers, but had to accept those elected by the workforce. Once in office, a Labour prime minister can reshuffle his pack. So why this charade in opposition?

Ask any Labour MP and he will tell you that it is all about democracy. This is humbug: look at the trouble Mr Smith had persuading his party to accept one-member-one-vote in candidate selections. MPs like the shadow cabinet elections because they force frontbenchers to flatter backbenchers in order to win their vote. The threat of being pushed out of the shadow cabinet makes spokesmen say the most uncharacteristic things. Modernisers have suddenly to sound traditional simply because it is that time of year.

The notion that the elections are merely a measure of ability is also nonsense. They are primitive tribalism. Scottish MPs vote for fellow Scots, Welshmen for Welshmen. There are too few women in the parliamentary party to ensure that their own kind win enough places. Until the introduction of a secret ballot this year, some MPs were happy to hand blank voting forms over to the whips in return for foreign trips.

The sensible solution would be for Mr Smith to pick his own team, just as the Tory party does in opposition. He would be able to choose the best parliamentary spokesmen, and if he wanted a third of them to be women he could ensure it. But then sense has never been a hallmark of the way the Labour party runs its own affairs.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Tory MEPs' stance on federalism

From Sir Christopher Prout, QC, MEP for Shropshire and Stafford (European People's Party Parliamentary Group (Conservative))

Sir, Even on its own terms, Lord Tebbit's letter (October 19) is misleading. He quotes paragraphs 202 and 203 of the European People's Party basic programme but fails to draw your readers' attention to paragraph 205, which states that "the European Federation will be a decentralised community of nations, not a unitary super-state". He also omits the most important part of paragraph 203, which requires the Community to "respect the national identities" of member states.

I say "even on its own terms" because Lord Tebbit is wrong to suggest that British Conservative MEPs, such as Lord Bethell, whom he names, are members of the European People's Party. We are not. We are allied members of the European People's Party *Parliamentary Group* and, as such, not bound by the party's programme. I and my colleagues will fight the European elections in June next year on the British Conservative manifesto.

Our allied membership is a vital component in consolidating and strengthening the influence and authority of the centre right in the European Parliament. For the last five years the European Parliament has been dominated by socialists and socialism. Our task next June, together with our centre-right allies, is to change all that. If Conservatives believe that fighting each other is more important than fighting the opposition we shall certainly fail to achieve this objective.

Yours faithfully,
CHRISTOPHER PROUT,
2 Queen Anne's Gate, SW1.
October 20.

From Mr Christopher Jackson, MEP for Kent East (European People's Party Parliamentary Group (Conservative))

Sir, In serious arguments about the future of Europe it is crucial to use words accurately. There is potential disaster ahead if the one word "federal" is used with virtually opposite meanings: both as "centralising, bureaucratic and bad" (the Eurosceptics' meaning, not supported by any dictionary I have seen) *and* as relating to the division of powers between centre and states.

The "union of a federal type", which I and many Conservative colleagues have supported in parliamentary votes, is "a decentralised community of nations, not a unitary superstate", to quote a statement by the European People's Party (Athens declaration, paragraph 205). This is consistent with the European Union, part federal and part intergovernmental, in which the balance between decentralisation and the minimum necessary — and beneficial — centralisation is defined by subsidiarity, another federal concept.

The words "federal type" deserve explanation. They mean that Europe's union is not a federation like the United States, even though the EC frequently operates in a federal manner. In contradistinction to the USA, the sovereignty that resides in member states, individually as opposed to collectively, is in the end supreme. The ultimate reflection of that sovereignty is the right to withdraw from the EC.

To clarify the nature of our Union further I have proposed that in the 1996 round of treaty amendments we should include a clause that affirms the absolute right (which already exists in international law) of each member state to withdraw. This is not because I wish Britain to leave — far from it — but because an essential strength of the EC lies in its *voluntary* character, which distinguishes it from every other union in the world.

Yours faithfully,
CHRISTOPHER JACKSON,
8 Wellmeade Drive, Sevenoaks, Kent.
October 17.

From Sir Duncan Watson

Sir, It is sad to see, in Mr A. H. P. Humphrey's letter (October 18), revival of the idea that there is some sort of conflict between British membership of the European Community and its membership of the Commonwealth.

It is not a matter of straight "choice". Britain belongs in Europe, just as other Commonwealth members are firmly within Asian, African and American regional groupings. But the Commonwealth, as it has now developed, is a unique and quietly potent international association which has much to offer to this troubled world. Its value as assessed by other members was amply demonstrated at Kuala Lumpur in 1989 by the way they all held it firmly together, even when Mrs Thatcher had reduced Britain to a minority of one within it.

It is in European Britain's interest to share fully in Commonwealth links and activities, without any implication that the latter must always be "subordinate" to our relations with Europe. The two interests are not incompatible; they need to be pursued in wise conjunction.

Yours faithfully,
DUNCAN WATSON,
Sconce, Steels Lane, Oxshott, Surrey.
October 18.

From Mr J. C. Stott

Sir, Lord Bethell (letter, October 15) tells us that "British commerce is now inextricably tied together with that of Continental Europe and that, if there should be any serious breach between us, we would be the ones who came off worse". Is not the truth rather that British commerce is shackled to a sluggish Continental economy whose main characteristics are high wage costs, high interest rates, and high unemployment, and that the "serious breach" which came about when we were forced out of the ERM has been much to our advantage? More breaches, please.

Yours faithfully,
J. C. STOTT,
Bleak House, Coppenhall, Stafford.
October 15.

Which patients are getting priority?

From the Chairman of the Glan Hafren NHS Trust

Sir, You report today the view expressed to Virginia Bottomley by the Conference of Royal Medical Colleges that "the lives of health service patients in need of urgent treatment are being endangered because hospitals are failing to give them priority over routine patients". A similar concern was reflected in the letter from Mr R. J. Luck, which you published on October 11.

May I comment on behalf of this eight-hospital NHS trust, which employs 4,400 staff and has an annual turnover approaching £100 million.

We receive the bulk of our funding from the local health authority through block contracts for accident and emergency treatment and for an agreed list of medical, surgical and associated procedures available for referred patients of the area's non-fundholding GPs. The balance of our funding is made up mostly of cost-per-case contracts, with fundholding GPs both within our area and outside it, and with other LHAs direct.

Our consultants draw up their monthly lists for treatment from the existing waiting list of patients funded both by our annual block contracts and from fundholding GPs on their assessment of clinical need. Our managers can ask our consultants to add to their immediate list or provide extra sessions for any patients for whom the GP fundholder makes a special case, and then fund that treatment direct from their own fundholding budgets.

This may indeed divide patients into two groups, as Mr Luck suggests, but what is the alternative for the trust management? If these fundholders' patients do not receive treatment at an NHS hospital they will inevitably be sent by their GPs to the local private hospital, where ironically the treatment will probably then be carried out by our contracted consultants in their own time, and the original NHS income will then be lost to us, the *providing trust*. Extra funding for so-called waiting list initiatives is periodically made available to fundholders, compounding the problem.

Mr Luck is rightly concerned at this separation and at the ethical conflict that it poses. But the dilemma is surely one that the Royal Colleges should address — including, of course, the Royal College of General Practitioners.

Mr Luck was concerned that management power is demoralising the consultants but it is only through the involvement of consultants in the management process that we can continue to develop the NHS as the finest health service available anywhere in the world. Only if clinicians and management abandon outmoded rivalry and work readily together with a shared strategy for the patients' benefit will this be achieved. It is certainly happening here.

Yours sincerely,
C. HUGHES DAVIES,
Chairman,
Glan Hafren NHS Hospital Trust,
The Royal Gwent Hospital,
Newport, Gwent.
October 20.

From Dr Lynette Moss

Sir, As a non-fundholding GP I have been deeply concerned for over a year by the priority given to patients of fundholding practices and the new two-tier system.

I work with patients with a high morbidity and mortality, factors not adequately covered when money is allocated for fundholding. "Going fundholding" would solve nothing for us as the practice would not be able to keep to budget.

Consultant colleagues up and down the country tell us that extra operating lists are now down for fundholders as a matter of course and two-tier waiting lists are well established though not publicised in the present health service.

Surely ethical medical practice demands that priority for treatment is determined by clinical need, and clinical need only.

Yours faithfully,
LYNETTE MOSS,
Marlowe House Medical Centre,
Marlowe Close,
Basingstoke, Hampshire.
October 12.

From the President of the National Association of Fundholding Practices

Sir, Mr Luck unfairly castigates NHS hospital managers for giving priority to patients of general practitioner fundholders.

This association believes that patients should only be given priority on the basis of clinical need.

There are many benefits for patients of fundholding GPs, which are increasingly becoming evident, but not at the expense of patients of my colleagues in general practice.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID TOD,
President,
National Association of Fundholding Practices,
12 Durham Road,
Raynes Park, SW20.
October 14.

Home help

From Mrs Elaine A. Wheatley

Sir, As chairman of Cambridgeshire's social services committee from 1989 to 1993, may I respond to Mrs Susan Sutton's letter (October 20) regarding care of the elderly in our county under the previous Conservative administration.

Mrs Sutton, who was a member of the committee during that time, alleges that vulnerable people were priced out of receiving essential care services; but generous protection for those on low incomes was built into our charging system.

Care for elderly people willing to remain in their own homes was the highest priority. Our department won praise from the Audit Commission and the Department of Health for its success in delivering community care.

It is true that a few people getting only occasional help with domestic tasks no longer received home care services. We considered that their needs could best be met by new services which were being developed in the private and voluntary sector.

More elderly people are being kept out of institutions by intensive care services which enable them to remain in their own homes. These include many hours a week of dedicated home care, day care and respite care in appropriate cases.

Our consumer surveys indicated widespread satisfaction with the home care services.

Yours sincerely,
ELAINE A. WHEATLEY,
63 Highsett,
Hills Road, Cambridge.
October 21.

Hitting the right note

From Mr Jacob de Vries

Sir, If Lady Thatcher's voice has gone down "a semi-tone for each of the 16-odd years since first she led her party" as Matthew Parris claims (political sketch, October 20, later editions) then it would have been a tenth deeper than it was, not an octave. She has therefore become a baritone baroness and not a Tory tenor.

Yours faithfully,
JACOB de VRIES,
The Singers' Studio,
13 Shaftesbury Avenue, Bedford.

All our yesterdays

From Mr Ray Ward

Sir, I hope the newsreel pictures for the forthcoming BBC television series, *A day that shook the world*, are more carefully described than are the stills chosen to illustrate your report about the series (October 14).

The aircraft shown cannot be the one in which the Wright brothers made the first successful powered flight in 1903. That aircraft, the *Flyer, did not have an undercarriage like the one shown*, but it took off from a wooden rail and carried only one person lying prone.

Furthermore, the man on the Moon isn't Neil Armstrong. Surprisingly enough, there appears to be no good quality still photograph of Armstrong on the Moon, mainly because Armstrong had the only still camera most of the time. The famous image which you reproduce was taken *by* Armstrong, and shows his companion, Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin, with Armstrong reflected in his faceplate.

Yours faithfully,
RAY WARD,
7 Saunders Road,
Sheffield 2.
October 14.

From Sir George White, FSA

Sir, The flying machine which you illustrate today looks to me very much like a Bristol Boxkite, the first successful product of the pioneering aircraft works at Bristol, founded by my great-grandfather Sir George White (1854-1916), the "Tramway King".

More than 70 Boxkites were made at the factory, which by 1911 was claimed to be the largest in the world. Many were put to use in his flying schools, which by the outbreak of the first world war had trained almost half the available pilots.

Yours faithfully,
GEORGE WHITE,
Pypers,
Rudgeway, Nr Bristol.
October 14.

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A judge's reality

From Sir John Stephenson

Sir, May a retired judge, obviously prejudiced yet qualified by some first-hand knowledge, try once more to dispel the myth, so eloquently propagated by Mr Bernard Levin ("Long sentences for judges", October 15), that judges "do not understand the world outside their suffocating legal atmosphere" and need "a lay element" of "real human beings" to sit beside them on the bench.

Judges have all been barristers, or solicitors, wrestling with all the problems of everyday life — mortgages, education of children, transport, illness, money — and learning from their profession a good deal about all sorts and conditions of men and women. Added to that experience was war service for judges of the last generation. I was away from "the suffocating legal atmosphere" for seven years. Those who fought with Sir Tasker Watkins, VC, one of the judges attacked by Mr Levin, would be surprised to learn that he had no understanding of the real world.

I have not found that judges on promotion to the bench have forgotten what they have learned on the way there. Can Mr Levin honestly say that when he has accepted the hospitality of an Inn of Court and dined with its benchers, many of whom are judges, they have given him the impression which he conveys to the public?

Judges make mistakes because they are human, not because they are inhuman; and Mr Levin's introduction of a lay element will not give them the understanding of the world which they already have.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
JOHN STEPHENSON,
26 Doneraile Street, SW6.
October 17.

Churchill on disc

From Mr Martin Green

Sir, There are fears that the Churchill papers could be sold to a foreign buyer (report, October 12). Are we not once again falling into the trap of valuing the actual papers more highly than their contents?

Surely the ideal solution would not be to photocopy the documents (as you suggest in today's leading article) but *rather to store them on compact disc*. This would allow far greater access to academics and students alike and could easily be funded by a small percentage of the sales premium.

I use this system to file *The Times*, which allows me to access information quickly and efficiently and avoids protracted visits to reference libraries.

Yours faithfully,
MARTIN GREEN,
3 Redhouse Bank, West Kirby,
Wirrall, Merseyside.
October 12.

Street violence

From Sir Jonah Walker-Smith

Sir, Your report (October 18) on the violent demonstration in southeast London states that the police will be studying video evidence in an attempt to identify offenders. However, a great *many of those attacking the police* wore balaclavas or scarves around their faces to avoid identification.

I would have thought that the wearing of facial disguise at a public demonstration itself created a presumption of guilt. If this were made an offence I do not believe that anyone could complain save the masked men and women of violence.

Yours faithfully,
JONAH WALKER-SMITH,
11 Doughty Street, WC1.

Pain in childbirth

From Mrs Robert Jowitt

Sir, Your leader, "Unnecessary pain" (October 16), assumes that pain in childbirth is inevitable. Dr Grantley Dick-Read exposed this myth 50 years ago. Proponents of natural childbirth are not masochists: we are cowards like the rest.

We seek ways to *prevent* pain rather than to relieve it with drugs. Labouring in "birthing pools" is one such way; others include home birth, Tens (transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation) and acupuncture.

The publicity given to two deaths following water birth (report, October 16) seems to be out of all proportion. Are there no neo-natal deaths following epidurals, or Pethidine in labour?

Before the scaremongering continues I would like to see league tables of different pain-relief methods coupled with the respective likelihood of neonatal death. Only then can women make informed decisions about the safest options for labour.

Yours sincerely,
MARGARET JOWITT
(Author, *Childbirth Unmasked*),
Walford Lodge, Walford,
Craven Arms, Shropshire.
October 16.

Choose your weapons

From Mr Edmund Dehn

Sir, I saw a billboard today with the headline: "£3 Billion Missile Faces Axe." Evidently the Vikings had the right idea all along and we should re-equip our military accordingly.

Yours,
EDMUND DEHN,
78 The Grampians,
Shepherds Bush Road, W6.
October 18.

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
October 21: Mr Michael Hardie was received in audience by The Prince of Wales and The Prince Edward, Counsellors of State acting on behalf of The Queen, upon his appointment as British High Commissioner to the Republic of the Gambia.

Mrs Hardie was also received by Their Royal Highnesses.

Mr Edward Clay was received in audience by The Prince of Wales and The Prince Edward, Counsellors of State acting on behalf of The Queen, upon his appointment as British High Commissioner to the Republic of Uganda.

Mrs Clay was also received by Their Royal Highnesses.

Mr Richard Lavers was received in audience by The Prince of Wales and The Prince Edward, Counsellors of State acting on behalf of The Queen, and kissed hands upon his appointment as Her Majesty's Ambassador at Quito.

Mrs Lavers was also received by Their Royal Highnesses.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
October 21: The Prince Edward this evening attended a Royal Gala Performance of "Phantom of the Opera" in support of Marie Curie Cancer Care at the Opera House, Manchester, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Greater Manchester (Colonel John Timmins).

Lieutenant Colonel Sean O'Dwyer was in attendance.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
October 21: The Princess Royal, Colonel-in-Chief, The Royal Logistic Corps, today visited 3 and 4 Regiments, Dalton Barracks, Abingdon, Oxfordshire.

Mrs Timothy Holderness-Roddam was in attendance.

Her Royal Highness, President, Animal Health Trust, accompanied by Commander Timothy Laurence RN, this evening attended a Royal Film Premiere of "Homeward Bound, the Incredible Journey" at the Odeon Leicester Square, London WC2.

ST JAMES'S PALACE
October 21: The Prince of Wales, President, King Edward's Hospital Fund for London, this afternoon gave a Luncheon at St James's Palace.

His Royal Highness, President, The Prince's Trust, afterwards visited the trust's headquarters, 8 Bedford Row, London WC1, to celebrate Prince's Trust Week.

Mr Matthew Butler was in attendance.

The Prince of Wales, Duke of Cornwall, later received Lieutenant Colonel Ian Robertson upon relinquishing his appointment as the Land Steward for the Isles of Scilly.

His Royal Highness, Duke of Cornwall, subsequently received Sir Jeffrey Bowman upon relinquishing his appointment as Duchy Auditor and Mr Ian Brindle upon assuming the appointment.

The Prince of Wales this evening attended a Reception at St James's Palace.

His Royal Highness, Duke of Cornwall, was represented by Mr John James at the Service of Thanksgiving for the Life of Mr Bernard Briant which was held in the Church of St Lawrence Jewry next Guildhall, London EC2, this morning.

KENSINGTON PALACE
October 21: The Princess of Wales, President, Royal Academy of Music, this evening attended a Concert at the Academy, Marylebone Road, London NW1.

Mrs Max Pipe and Captain Edward Musto RM were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
October 21: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, today visited Harefield Hospital, Harefield, Middlesex.

Lady Aird and Major the Lord Napier and Ettrick were in attendance.

The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, was present this evening at a performance by Opera Interludes, given at Lambeth Palace in aid of the Friends of the Elderly and Gentlefolk's Help of which Her Royal Highness is President.

The Countess Alexander of Tunis was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
October 21: The Duke of Gloucester today visited Northamptonshire and was received on arrival by Captain John MacDonald-Buchanan (Vice Lord Lieutenant of Nortamptonshire).

In the morning His Royal Highness launched the Rockingham Forest Trust, Rockingham Castle, Corby.

Afterwards His Royal Highness, Grand Prior, Order of St John, opened the new St John Ambulance County Headquarters and Training Centre, Billing Road, Northampton.

Major Nicholas Barne was in attendance.

The Duchess of Gloucester, Patron, Notting Hill Housing Trust, was present this evening at a Reception to mark the Trust's 30th Anniversary at Kensington Palace State Apartments, London W8.

Mrs Euan McCorquodale was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
October 21: The Duchess of Kent, Patron, the National Federation of Music Societies, this evening attended the Alfreda Hodgson Memorial Concert at Wigmore Hall, Wigmore Street, London W1.

Mrs Peter Wilmot-Sitwell was in attendance.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE
RICHMOND PARK
October 21: Princess Alexandra this afternoon visited the International Tracing Service of the International Committee of the Red Cross at Arolsen, Germany.

The Lady Nicholas Gordon Lennox was in attendance.

Today's royal engagements

The Duchess of Kent, as patron, will open the new entrance of Victoria Green House at the Christie Hospital, Wilmslow Road, Manchester, at 2.50; will visit Meadowbrook, department of psychological medicine, at Hope Hospital, Salford, at 4.25; and, as President of the Royal Northern College of Music, will open the new Daily Telegraph Theatre, Oxford Road, Manchester, at 6.50.

Reception

British Safety Council
The Rev Martin Smyth, MP, was host at a reception held yesterday at the House of Commons for the British Safety Council's presentation of International Diplomas in Safety Management.

New bishops

The Rev Canon Geoffrey Rowell, Chaplain of Keble College, Oxford, and a Canon and Prebendary of Chichester Cathedral, to be Suffragan Bishop of Basingstoke, succeeding the Right Rev Michael Manktelow, who is retiring.

The Rev Lindsay Urwin, Diocesan Missioner, Chichester, to be Suffragan Bishop of Horsham, diocese Chichester, succeeding the Right Rev John Hind, who is now Bishop of Gibraltar in Europe.

The Rev David Conner, Vicar, St Mary the Great, Cambridge, to be Suffragan Bishop of Lynn, diocese Norwich, succeeding the Right Rev David Bentley, who is to be Bishop of Gloucester.

The Rev Canon Stephen Venner, Vicar, Holy Trinity, Weymouth, and a Canon and Prebendary of Salisbury Cathedral, to be Suffragan Bishop of Middleton, diocese Manchester, succeeding the late Right Rev Donald Tytler.

Memorial services

Sir John Langford-Holt
The Prime Minister was represented by Mr Sydney Chapman, MP, Vice-Chamberlain of HM Household, and the Speaker by Mr Michael Morris, MP, Chairman of Ways and Means, at a memorial service for Sir John Langford-Holt which was held yesterday in the Chapel of St Mary Undercroft, Palace of Westminster. Canon Donald Gray, Chaplain to the Speaker, officiated and Canon John Eastgate led the prayers. Mr Robert Harrap read the lesson and Mr Edward Seymour-Rouce read Tennyson's *Crossing the Bar*. Viscount Tonypandy gave an address. Sir Edward Heath, KG, MP, Father of the House, and Mr Richard Ryder, Government Chief Whip, were represented by Mr Derek Conway, Government Whip. The Chairman of the Conservative Party was represented by Councillor Jane Coward, Chairman of Shrewsbury Conservative Association. The Austrian Ambassador attended. Among others present were:

Lady Langford-Holt (widow), Mr Paget Langford-Holt (son), Mr James Williams and Miss Suzannah Langford-Holt (son-in-law and daughter), Mr Nicholas Atwool (stepson), Mrs M Clarke, Miss J Clarke, Mr and Mrs M David, Mr and Mrs David Holt, Ben, James, Sarah, Rosie and Charlie Holt, Mr and Mrs Richard Holt.

Ellsabeth Countess of Caledon, Lord Weatherill, Lord Clark of Kempston, Lord Finsberg, Lord Harmar-Nicholls, Lord and Lady Murton of Lindisfarne, Mr John Biffen, MP, Sir Peter Blaker, the Hon Mrs Margaret Campbell, Judith Lady Roberts, Sir Victor Goodhew, Sir John Hannam, MP, Sir William Hayter, Sir David Knox, MP, Sir Kenneth Lewis, Rear-Admiral Sir Morgan and Lady Morgan-Giles, Sir Michael Neubert, MP, Sir Tom and Lady Normanton, Lady Pilcher, Sir Christopher Prout, QC, MEP, Sir Michael Shaw, Sir John Stokes, Sir William van Straubenzee, Sir Godfrey Style, Dame Joan Varley, Dr John Anderson, Mr William Benyon, Mr Michael Brotherton, Mr and Mrs Peter Bowring, Captain and Mrs Lewis Dixon-Brown, Cecily Dixon-Brown, Mr Bruce George, MP, Mr Warren Hawksley, MP, Mr and Mrs Edward Given, Mr W Percy Grieve, QC, Mr Gwilym Jones (Parliamentary Secretary of State for Wales), and Prebendary C E Leighton Thomson.

Mr Douglas M. Ritchie
A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Mr Douglas M. Ritchie, former Chairman and Chief Executive of British Alcan Aluminium plc, was held at St George's Church, Hanover Square, on Wednesday, October 20, 1993. The Rev G.D. Watkins, Priest in Ordinary to The Queen, officiated. Mrs Belle Shenkman Smith, CM, LLD, read from the works of Canon Henry Scott Holland and the Right Hon Lord Peyton of Yeovil gave an address. The Rev W.A. Atkins pronounced the blessing. Among those present were:

Mrs C A Ritchie (widow), Mr R B Ritchie and Mr N J Ritchie (sons), Mrs A Ritchie (sister-in-law); His Excellency Mr Frederick S Eaton, OC, and Mrs Eaton, Mr and Mrs David Morton, Sir George Russell, CBE, and Lady Russell, Mr and Mrs P J Elton, Sir Robert and Lady Smith, Mr and Mrs R E Utiger, Mr R Wagner, Mr and Mrs J S Bridgeman, Mr and Mrs C Barkes, Mr and Mrs P D Belanger, Mr and Mrs T Boucher, Mr and Mrs C K Dawe, Mr and Mrs T Dingwall, Mr and Mrs D G Edwards, Mr G Haggart, OBE, Mr Kenyo Matsushita, Mr M C d'E Miller, Mr and Mrs I B McKinnon, Mr and Mrs P J H Rata, Mr K H C Ruffle, Mr and Mrs F McGravie, Mr G de Saint-Remy, Dr T M Sporton, Mr R C Cobden (representing the British Alcan 30 year Club).

Mr B C Turner, Mr A C Aylesbury, OBE, Mr G Bacon, Lady Baden-Powell, Mr G Beckett, Mr D Brooker-Carey, Lieutenant-Colonel R Cowe, Mr P Dempsey, Dr P Dorrington-Ward, Mr L A Garfield, Dr D A Harris, Mr H Mailhot, the Right Hon Lord and Lady Marsh, the Hon Sir Angus Ogilvy, Mr A Payne, Mr and Mrs P J-J Rich, Mr and Mrs N Shaw, Mrs N Stafford, Mr Michael Wadsworth, QC, and Mr R M Worcester.

Mr B.C. Briant
The Prince of Wales, Duke of Cornwall, was represented by Mr John James at a service of thanksgiving for the life of Mr Bernard Christian (Chris) Briant held yesterday at St Lawrence Jewry-next-Guildhall. The Rev David Burgess, Chaplain to the Company of Chartered Surveyors, officiated. Mr Richard Briant, son, and Mr Richard Macrory, son-in-law, read the lessons. Mr Stuart Hibberdine gave an address.

Mr Fredy Fisher
A celebration of the life of Mr Fredy Fisher was held yesterday at St John's Smith Square. Mr Antony Haynes introduced the programme. Mr Andrew Fisher, son, read Goethe's *Aussöhnung*. Mr Steb Fisher, son, read Sir Henry Newbolt's *Vitai Lampada* and Ambassador Arthur Hartman, President of the Overseers of Harvard, gave an address. Mr Raphael and Mrs Elizabeth Wallfisch, Mrs Tanya Prochazka and members of the London Mozart Players played the first movement of Mendelssohn's Octet and Schubert's *Quartettsatz in C Minor*. Miss Nina Milkina, piano, played Gluck's *Mélodie*.

Sir John Nicholson
A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Sir John Nicholson, Bt, will be held at the Church of St Botolph, Aldgate on Wednesday, November 24, at noon.

Canon James Owen
A Memorial Service for Canon James Owen, MA, will be held in the Chapel of Jesus College, Cambridge, on Saturday, November 20, 1993, at 2.30pm.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Franz Liszt, composer, Raiding, Hungary, 1811; Sarah Bernhardt, actress, Paris, 1844; Ivan Bunin, poet and novelist, Voronezh, Russia, 1870.

DEATHS: Mathurin Régnier, poet, Rouen, 1613; Sir Cloudesley Shovell, admiral of the fleet, drowned off the Scilly Islands, 1707; Samuel Arnold, composer, London, 1802; Thomas Sheraton, cabinet maker, London, 1806; Henry Richard Fox, 3rd Baron Holland, politician and writer, London, 1840; Louis Spohr, composer, Kassel, Germany, 1859; Sir Roderick Murchison, geologist, London, 1871; Mayne Reid, novelist, Ross, Hertfordshire, 1883; William Edward Leckey, historian, London, 1903; Paul Cézanne, painter, Aix-en-Provence, 1906; Bob Fitzsimmons, world middle and heavyweight boxing champion 1891-1905, Chicago, 1917; Sir John Fortescue, military historian, Cannes, 1933; Edward Carson, 1st Baron Carson, lawyer, (the uncrowned king of Ulster), Minster, Kent, 1935; Pablo Casals, cellist, Puerto Rico, 1973; Arnold Toynbee, historian, York, 1975; Nadia Boulanger, conductor and music teacher, 1979.

The first parachute jump was made by André-Jacques Garnerin from a balloon 6,000 feet above the Parc Monceau, Paris, 1797.

Metropolitan Opera House opened, New York, 1883.

University of Nottingham

Sir Ron Dearing, CB, was installed as the fifth Chancellor of the University of Nottingham before a congregation of more than 800 invited guests at the University yesterday. The honorary degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred upon Sir Ron by the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Colin Campbell. Honorary degrees were also conferred upon Professor James Boulton, DLitt, Mr Robert Gunn, LLD, and Dame Anne Mueller, LLD. The congregation included representatives of the City and County of Nottingham and of other universities. Fanfares for the academic procession were sounded by the Herald Trumpeters of the Royal Artillery Band. An organ recital was given by Professor Robert Pascall and Professor John Morehen. Other musical items were provided by The University Singers and The University Brass Ensemble.

Appointment

James A H Moore to be Executive Director of the US-UK Fulbright Commission.

Birthdays today




Catherine Deneuve, actress, is 50; Derek Jacobi, actor, is 55

Lord Birkett, 64; Colonel J.N. Blashford-Snell, explorer, 57; Mr W.P. Bowman, chairman, Covent Garden Market Authority, 61; Mr L.R. Carus, former principal, Birmingham School of Music, 66; Mrs B.D. Craig, former principal, Somerville College, Oxford, 78; Professor Charlotte Erickson, American historian, 70; Colonel Sir Dennis Faulkner, 67; Major-General Lord Michael Fitzalan Howard, Gold Stick to The Queen, 77; Miss Joan Fontaine, actress, 76; Lady (Michael) Fox, former director, British Insitute of International and Comparative Law, 65; Mr Mike Hendrick, cricketer, 45; Mr Michael Heron, chairman, Post Office, 59; Miss Irene Hindmarsh, former principal, St Aidan's College, Durham, 70; Mrs Doris Lessing, author, 74; Sir Donald McIntyre, opera singer, 59; Mr Kelvin MacKenzie, editor, *The Sun*, 47; Mr James Sharples, chief constable, Merseyside, 50; Mr Michael Stoute, racehorse trainer, 48; Vice-Admiral Sir FitzRoy Talbot, 84; Mr A.R. Thatcher, former Registrar General for England and Wales, 67; Admiral Sir Hugo White, 54; Admiral Sir David Williams, former governor, Gibraltar, 72; Professor Sir David Williams, vice-chancellor, Cambridge University, 63; Professor John Wing, psychiatrist, 70.

Service dinners

RN College Greenwich
Commander E.F.M. Searle, Commander of the Royal Naval College Greenwich, presided at a dinner held last night at the college to mark Admiral Lord Nelson's victory at the Battle of Trafalgar. Rear-Admiral J.J.R. Todd, Assistant Chief of Defence Staff (Policy and Nuclear), proposed the toast to the "immortal memory".

HMS Victory
Admiral Sir John Kerr, Commander-in-Chief Naval Home Command, presided and proposed the toast to the "immortal memory" at a Trafalgar Night dinner held last night onboard HMS Victory.

HMS Collingwood
Rear-Admiral N.J. Wilkinson, Director General of Naval Manpower and Training, was the guest of honour and proposed the toast to the "immortal memory" at a dinner held last night in the Wardroom of *HMS Collingwood* to mark the anniversary of Admiral Lord Nelson's victory at the Battle of Trafalgar. Commander L.J. Bamber presided.

HMS Cumberland
Lady Fieldhouse was the guest of honour and proposed the toast to the "immortal memory" at a Trafalgar Night dinner held last night onboard HMS Cumberland. Lieutenant-Commander Colin Hamp presided.

Royal Artillery
General Sir Martin Farndale presided at the Royal Artillery Alamein dinner held last night at the RA Mess, Woolwich. The guests included:

Viscount and Viscountess Montgomery of Alamein, Lord and Lady Weinstock, Lord and Lady Stevens of Ludgate, Sir Antony and Lady Acland and General Sir John and Lady Stibbon.

RAF High Wycombe
Air Chief Marshal Sir John Thomson, Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Headquarters RAF Strike Command, received the guests at a dining in night held last night at RAF High Wycombe to dine out Wing Commander D.R. Harrop on his retirement from the RAF. Group Captain M.R.H. Connor presided.

Dinners

Lord Mayor
The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress entertained representatives from commerce and industry, city institutions and businesses, public services and the media and their escorts at the City banquet held last night at the Mansion House. Members of the Court of Aldermen, the Chief Commoner and Members of the Court of Common Council were also present. The Lord Mayor, Professor Sir James Ball, Professor of Economics, London Business School, and Mr Denis Tunnicliffe, managing director, London Underground, were the speakers.

Before the banquet the Dragon Awards, the Lord Mayor's awards for business involvement in the community, were presented to the following organisations:

The Body Shop, Grand Metropolitan, IBM United Kingdom, John Mowlem Construction, Lloyds of London and the W H Smith Group.

Special Commendations were presented to:

British Rail Network Southeast, the W H Smith Group and Peter Williams.

Special Awards were made to:

Richard Ellis, Tate and Lyle and Texaco.

Association of Clinical Pathologists
Professor F.D. Lee, President of the Association of Clinical Pathologists, presided at a dinner held last night at the Langham Hilton Hotel.

Naval Historians
Rear-Admiral E.F. Gueritz was the guest at the annual dinner of the Naval Historians held last night at the Garrick Club to mark the Battle of Trafalgar. Captain John Wells presided and Captain Richard Woodman proposed the toast to the "immortal memory".

Institution of Chemical Engineers
The President of the Institution of Chemical Engineers, Mr A.C. Barrell, and Mrs Barrell welcomed past presidents, members of council and their ladies to the council dinner, which was held on Thursday, October 21, 1993, at Armourers' Hall, London, EC2.

New officers

Basketmakers' Company
Major G.J. Flint-Shipman has been elected Prime Warden of the Basketmakers' Company and Mr Anthony Meeson, Junior Warden, for the ensuing year.

Middle Temple

The following have been elected Masters of the Bench:

M McKenzie, QC, R F Nelson, QC, J Blackburn, QC, M Crystal, QC.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr R.A. Adams and Miss J.M. Gray
The engagement is announced between Robin Anthony, younger son of Mrs Angela Adams Rice, of Great Chalfield, Wiltshire, and the late Mr Anthony Adams, and Jacqueline Melissa, younger daughter of Dr and Mrs Michael Gray, of Beaconsfield, Buckinghamshire.

Mr D.P. Alexander and Miss R.C. Brooks
The engagement is announced between David, younger son of Mr and Mrs Frank Alexander, of Crowborough, and Ruth, younger daughter of Mrs Diana Tyler, of Rotherfield, and Mr John Tyler, of Southborough.

Mr S.H. Barder and Miss S.B. Cosgrave
The engagement is announced between Simon, eldest son of Mr and Mrs S. Barder, of Odiham, Hampshire, and Shevawn, daughter of Mr and Mrs P. Cosgrave, of Toronto, Canada.

Mr S.C. Brew and Miss I.A. Catto
The engagement is announced between Sean Christopher, younger son of Mr and Mrs Mark Brew, of Chorleywood, Hertfordshire, and Isobel Ann, younger daughter of Dr and Mrs Forbes Catto, of Pinner, Middlesex.

Mr J.A. Black and Miss G. Ward
The engagement is announced between James Alistair, twin son of Mr and Mrs Neil Black, of Biggleswade, Bedfordshire, and Giselle, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs William Ward, of Keysoe, Bedfordshire.

Mr R.C.E. Burgess and Miss S.J. Gough
The engagement is announced between Rupert, son of Mr Ian Burgess, of Herstmonceux, Sussex, and Mrs Jennifer Burgess, of Chelsea, London, and Sarah, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs John Gough, of Worthing, Sussex.

Mr R.C.Q. Farmer and Dr C.B. Wilcox
The engagement is announced between Christopher, son of the late Mr and Mrs Leslie Farmer, of Wakefield, Yorkshire, and Colleen, daughter of Mr Wayne Wilcox, of Tucson, Arizona, and the late Mrs Virginia Wilcox.

Mr C.A.S. Franks and Miss C.A. Seymour
The engagement is announced between Charles, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Anthony Franks, of Matfield, Kent, and Carol, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Seymour, of Harpenden, Hertfordshire.

Mr N.R.S. Grant and Miss L.M. Rawlinson
The engagement is announced between Noel, youngest son of Mr and Mrs V.P. Grant, of Oxted, Surrey, and Lucy, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs T. Rawlinson, of Claxton, North Yorkshire.

Mr K.Y. Li and Miss K.M. Culme-Seymour
The engagement is announced between Kwok Yau Li, of Hong Kong, only son of the late Mr Kai Li and the late Mrs Gan Siew Li, and Katie, daughter of Mr Mark Culme-Seymour, of Netherbury, Dorset, and Mrs Sally Culme-Seymour, of Fulham, London.

Dr J.N. Mahon and Miss A.D. Cashman
The engagement is announced between Jasper, son of the late Mr Patrick Mahon and of Mrs Elizabeth Mahon, of Kensington, and Althea, daughter of Mrs Jack Edelman, of Perth, Australia.

Mr R.A. Palengat and Miss A.E. Bradbeer
The engagement is announced between Richard, second son of Mr and Mrs David Palengat, of West Chiltington, West Sussex, and Amanda, daughter of Sir Derek and Lady Bradbeer, of Shilvington, Northumberland.

Mr H. Pryse-Davies and Ms F.C. Le Grys
The engagement is announced from Tokyo of Hugh, son of Dr and Mrs J. Pryse-Davies, of London, SW19, and Frances, daughter of Mr and Mrs D.J. Le Grys, of Winchester, Hampshire.

Mr D.C.E. Seex and Miss S.J. Deacon
The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr and Mrs B.H. Seex, of Bromley, Kent, and Sarah, daughter of Mr and Mrs V.F. Deacon, of Clopton, Suffolk.

Mr G.M. Wallace and Miss A.J. Mackenzie
The engagement is announced between Graham Moncrieff, elder son of Mr Michael Wallace, of Gosforth, Newcastle upon Tyne, and Mrs Ian Vickerman, of Ponteland, Northumberland, and Arabella Jane, daughter of Mr Hamish Mackenzie, of Peaslake, Surrey, and Mrs Michael Sharman, of Cobham, Surrey.

Marriage

Mr S.J.V. Miesegaes and Miss L.C. Bourdillon
The marriage took place on Saturday at Eglwys Oen Duw, Beulah, of Mr Simon Miesegaes, eldest son of Mrs Caroline Bond, of Whatcote, Warwickshire, and of the late Mr Tim Miesegaes, and stepson of Mr Peter Bond, and Miss Lucy Bourdillon, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Mervyn Bourdillon, of Llanwrtyd Wells, Powys. The Rev James Coutts officiated, assisted by the Rev Brian Bessant.

The bride, who was given away by her father, was attended by Miss Camilla Barker and Fleur Macdonald. Major Richard Onslow was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon is being spent abroad.

Latest wills

The Rt Hon Ruth Sylvia, Baroness **Fermoy**, of London SW1, woman of the Bedchamber to Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother since 1960, a grandmother of the Princess of Wales, and founder of the Kings Lynn Festival, left estate valued at £963,411 net.

Sir John Charles **Rodgers**, of Crowhurst, East Sussex, Conservative MP for Sevenoaks 1950-79, and deputy chairman of J Walter Thompson 1962-70, left estate valued at £501,274 net.

He left £500 to St Peter's School, York, and £250 to Keble College, Oxford.

Mrs Nora Kathleen **Chichester-Miles**, of Horning, Norfolk, left estate valued at £6,648,972 net.

She left £1,000 each to the Imperial Cancer Research Fund, National Society for Mentally Handicapped Children, Arthritis and Rheumatism Council and British Heart Foundation, and the remainder of her estate variously to relatives.

William Edward **Garrett**, of London N6, Labour MP for Wallsend 1964-92, left estate valued at £56,714 net.

Mrs Agnes Mary **Connelly**, formerly of Godalming, Surrey, widow of Willard Connelly, left estate valued at £200,669 net.

She left £50,000 each to the Actors' Benevolent Fund and King George's Pension Fund for Actors and Actresses.

Sir Geoffrey Gould **Briggs**, of Weston Park, Bath, Avon, a former Chief Justice in Hong Kong, and President of the Pensions Appeal Tribunals for England and Wales 1980-87, left estate valued at £810,605 net.

Other estates include (net before tax):

Stanley **Bennett**, of Wickwar, Avon £646,753
Marjorie **Burt**, of Epsom, Surrey £529,892
Beryl Joyce Marguerite **Campbell**, of Paignton, Devon £935,256

Lecture

Dr Peter Doyle, CBE, FRSE, Executive Director, ZENECA Group plc, delivered the first ZENECA Lecture last night at the Royal Society. He spoke on 'Biotechnology in action'. The President of the Royal Society, Sir Michael Atiyah, OM, PRS, presided at the lecture and at the dinner which followed.

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BIRTHS

ASTLEY - On October 20th at home, to Veronica (née Smart) and Delaval, a daughter, Molly, a sister for Jacob.

BOOTH-CLIBBORN - On October 19th at The Portland Hospital, to Julia (née Miller-Smith) and Edward, a son, Laurence Arthur David.

BRAXTON - On October 18th at the Buchanan Hospital, Hastings, to Joanna (née Wilmoth) and James, a son, Edward Alfred, a brother for Amelia and Charlie.

CHRISTODOULOU - On October 15th at The Portland Hospital, to Koula and Chris, a beautiful daughter, Elena Andria, a sister for Demetrios.

GLOVER - On October 19th, to Danielle (née Waring) and Peter, a daughter, Josephine Rose.

GRACE - On October 11th 1993, to Samantha (née Tanner) and David, a beautiful daughter, Claudia Ellen Catherine.

GRASS - On 10th October 1993, to Rosalind Munro and Andy Grass, a son, Ruairidh Peter, a brother for Miranda.

HARRISON - On 4th October, to Alison (née Wolfe) and Ian, a son, David George, a brother for Alexandra.

JONES - On October 13th, to Lorraine and Nick, a son, Matthew Andrew John, a brother for Sarah and Lisa.

KANEKO - On October 16th at the Wellington Hospital, to Katsuhiko and Misako, two twin boys.

LUMLEY - On October 11th in Santiago, to Wendela (née Troup) and Christopher, a daughter, Saskia Josephine.

MEE - On October 14th, to Janet (née Barber) and John, a beautiful son, David John Richard.

DEATHS

ABUSHADI - Dr. Mohamed Mahmoud. The Chairman, Directors and Staff of UBAF Bank Ltd. report with great sadness the death at his home in Cairo, on Thursday 21st October, of Dr. M.M. Abushadi, the bank's Founder and recently retired Chairman. The funeral took place the same day. Dr. Abushadi is survived by his wife, two sons and two daughters to whom we extend our deepest sympathy.

BARNETT - Helen Barnett M.B.E. aged 92 years, peacefully on 20th October 1993, of Malpas, Cheshire. Funeral Service at St Oswald's Church, Malpas, on Wednesday 27th October at 11 am followed by interment at Malpas Cemetery. Family flowers only please; donations if so desired to St Oswald's Church, Malpas and The British Red Cross Society. Enquiries to Howell Bros, Funeral Directors, Whitchurch. (0948) 662338.

COLENUTT - On 18th October, peacefully, Enid Muriel aged 83. Dearly loved mother and grandmother. Funeral Service at St Paul's Church, Rusthall, on Thursday 28th October at 11.15 am. Family flowers only, donations if desired to Burrswood Bursary Fund c/o E.R. Hickmott & Son, 41 Grove Hill Road, Tunbridge Wells.

COLLINS - James Seymour on 19th October tragically in a road accident on Isle of Lewis, Outer Hebrides, aged 18. Beloved son of Andrew Collins, much loved son of Sue Collins and strong headed brother of Charles, Amelia and Giles. Funeral at All Saints Church, Fulham, by Putney Bridge at 10 am Thursday 28th October. Friends welcome. No flowers please, but donations to Jubilee Sailing Trust, Southampton SO1 1GG.

DOCKSEY - On October 20th, peacefully in Crewkerne Hospital following a long fight against cancer, Timothy John, eldest child of the late Patrick and Dorothy, of Merriott, Somerset, aged 60. Loved brother of Sally, Stephen and Lesley, and greatly missed by his relatives and friends. Cremation at Yeovil Crematorium on Friday October 29th at 2.30 pm. Family flowers only but donations, if desired, for the League of Friends of Crewkerne Hospital c/o Irish & Denman F/D, Palmer Street, South Petherton, Somerset TA13 5DB.

FERGUSON - Lieutenant Commander R.N., H.R.M.S., Richard, on October 18th, suddenly at The George Eliot Hospital, Nuneaton, Warwickshire. Beloved husband of Patricia, loving father to Rowan and the late Sean, loving grandfather to Eleanor and Mark. 'Averray parfit gentil Knight'. Funeral Monday October 25th 1 pm at Attleborough Baptist Church prior to cremation at Nuneaton Crematorium. Flowers may be sent (suitable for the hospice) to M.G. Evans & Sons Funeral Directors tel: (0827) 713240.

GRIFFIN - Tim and Liz. Elizabeth Eileen on October 16th 1993, beloved daughter of Olga and the late John Gonet. Timothy Arnold on October 18th 1993, beloved son of Edmund and the late Phyllis Griffin and much loved father of Thomas and Robert. They died as a result of a tragic accident and will be very greatly missed. Private funeral, Memorial Service to be announced.

GULLETT - On 20th October, peacefully after a short illness, Commander John Hungerford Gullett U.S.N., O.S.S. Burial at The Arlington National Cemetery, Washington DC, USA.

HOUGHTON - On 20th October 1993, peacefully at home in Broadway, aged 82, Barbara Joan Kerr (née Thornley), wonderful and much loved wife of Colin, mother of Michael and Christopher. Private cremation. Thanksgiving Service at St Eadburgha's, Broadway, on Friday 29th October at 3pm. Family flowers only, donations if wished to the Friends of St Eadburgha's c/o The Old Orchard, Broadway, Worcestershire.

HUCKER - Anthony James, aged 70, on 21st October, peacefully at home. Beloved husband of Diana and loving father of Paul, Joanna and Tim. Funeral Service at St Edward's Church, Goathurst, Somerset, at 2 pm on Monday 25th October. Family flowers only but donations if wished to St Margaret's Hospice, Taunton c/o A.W. Waterjohns and Son, Clare Street, North Petherton, Bridgwater, Somerset.

HUNT - Gordon Howarth, on October 19th 1993, peacefully in hospital aged 72 years, beloved husband of the late Mary, loving father of Caroline, Elizabeth and Henry, father-in-law of Stephen, Allan and Gabrielle, very loving grandfather of Matthew, Harriet and Daniel, will be very sadly missed by all his family. Service at Holy Cross Church, Woodchurch, on Wednesday 27th October at 12 noon, followed by interment at Irby Road Cemetery. Resting at and all further enquiries to Thomas Porter & Sons Ltd., Funeral Service, 377 Park Road, Liverpool 8, tel: (051) 727-1911 until 5 pm Monday 25th October, then at Thomas McMullen Funeral Home, Borough Road, Birkenhead. Funeral to be conducted by Thomas Porter & Sons Ltd.

HURT - On 20th October 1993, peacefully after a long illness, Aline Alexandrina (Gran), aged 91, formerly of Scaleby Castle, Cumberland and The Cottage, Hopgoods Green, Bucklebury. Beloved mother of Pam and devoted grandmother and great-grandmother. Funeral at St Mary's Church, Shaw, on Monday October 25th at 11.30 am. Family flowers only, but donations if desired to The Injured Jockeys Fund c/o Camp Hopson Funeral Directors, Northbrook Street, Newbury, RG13 1DN, tel: (0635) 522210.

INGLISH - On October 20th peacefully at home, John Edward George, much loved husband of Florence (Spud), father of Penny and Sue and grandfather of Maria, Daniel, Antony and Alex. Cremation at Kingston on Thursday October 28th at 2.30 pm. Family flowers only. Donations may be sent to the Princess Alice Hospice, West End Lane, Esher, Surrey KT10 8NA.

JONES - On 19th October 1993 peacefully at Cozhill Manor Nursing Home, Chobham, Harold Harley Jones in his 96th year. Formerly Senior Modern Languages Master at Cheltenham Grammar School 1922-1958. Funeral at S.S. Philip & James Church, Up Hatherley, Cheltenham, on Wednesday 27th October at 2.30 pm. No flowers please; donations if desired to NSPCC.

MAKIN - On 20th October 1993, peacefully, aged 96 years, Jean Muir (née Anderson), widow of Stanley who passed away earlier this year. Much loved mother of Michael and Anne. Sadly missed by family and friends. Family flowers only, donations to the Lee P.C.C. c/o Peter Kenyon, Arnold Funeral Service, 911 London Road, Loudwater, High Wycombe. Enquiries (0494) 472572. Funeral Service at the Lee Parish Church on Tuesday 26th October at 12 noon.

MARSH - On October 21st 1993, peacefully in a Bath hospital, Marianne Alice Marsh aged 75 of Charlcutt. Beloved mother of Penelope and Christopher. Funeral at Haycombe Crematorium, Bath, on Tuesday October 26th at 2 pm. No flowers please, donations for 'Cancer Relief Macmillan Fund' to E. Hooper & Son, 13 St James Parade, Bath BA1 1UL.

MEYNELL - On October 17th 1993 peacefully at Hoar Cross, Dorothy Jean Hosta Henrietta (née Goshen), aged 84. Beloved wife of the late Col. Hugo and adored mother of Nicky, David, Freddie, Elizabeth and Alexandra. Funeral on Saturday 23rd October at St Michael and All Angels, Hoar Cross, at 3 pm. Donations, please, to British Red Cross Society. Flowers to the Church welcome.

MILLER - On October 18th, Thomas de Burgh M.B.E., Lt Col. Rtd., beloved husband of Nina and devoted father of John and Helen. Service at St Mary's Church, Hayling Island, on Wednesday October 27th at 2 pm, followed by cremation at Chichester. Flowers or donations if preferred to Queen Alexandra Hospital, Portsmouth, may be sent to Grady's Funeral Directors, 23 Mengham Road, Hayling Island, Hampshire.

MONEY - On October 21st, after a prolonged and very gallant fight against cancer, but serenely and in the devoted care of Whitbread Ward of the Middlesex Hospital, W1, Bella (Maharaj), barrister and much loved wife of Ernie Money. A Memorial Service will be held in Gray's Inn Chapel at 6 pm on 24th November.

RETHYMNIS - On October 19th, peacefully at home, Elli. Beloved wife of the late Minas, dearly loved by all her family. Funeral at 11am, Monday 25th October at St Sophia's Church, Moscow Road.

SHEPHERD - Geoffrey Thomas C.B.E., on October 18th 1993, dear husband of Irene and father of Virginia. Funeral Service at Worcester Crematorium on Wednesday October 27th at 2 pm.

VICKERS - On October 20th, peacefully at home in Wickham Market, Dr. Henry Renwick Vickers F.R.C.P. aged 82. Dearly loved husband of Penelope, father of Judith, John (Dec'd), Roger, Margaret, Eleanor and Sarah. Funeral Service at S.S. Peter and Paul, Pettistree, on Friday October 29th at 11.30 am. No mourning. Family flowers only or donations if desired to Suffolk Crossroads c/o E.B. Button & Sons Ltd., 24 St Johns Street, Woodbridge.

WHELAN - On October 19th 1993, peacefully after a short illness, Cecil Maurice aged 87 years, at Passmore Edwards Hospital, Liskeard, Cornwall. Funeral Service at St John's Church, Pensilva, on Monday October 25th at 11am. Flowers or donations for Passmore Edwards Hospital c/o Ugalde & Son Funeral Directors, Castle Street, Liskeard.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

CITY OF LONDON YEOMANRY - The Rough Riders annual memorial service will be held in St Bartholomew The Great, West Smithfield, London EC1 at 11 am on Sunday October 31st.

ELAM - A Service of Thanksgiving for His Honour Henry Elam will be held at St Peter's Church, Stonegate, East Sussex, on Saturday November 6th 1993 at 2 pm.

ROBSON - Professor W.W. Robson in Greyfriars Kirk, Edinburgh, on Friday October 29th at 3 pm.

IN MEMORIAM — PRIVATE

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OBITUARIES

CANON JOHN KINGSNORTH

Canon John Kingsnorth, former general secretary of the Universities' Mission to Central Africa, died on October 14 aged 78. He was born on May 26, 1915.



WHEN Bishop Eric Trapp died last month, the work which he had done in bringing about the merger of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel with the Univerities' Mission to Central Africa was widely recalled. It was an achievement that he could never have managed without the active encouragement and co-operation of Canon John Kingsnorth, at the time UMCA's general secretary. Indeed, the whole idea of the union of the two missionary societies — which shared broadly the same churchmanship — belonged to the two men jointly.

Kingsnorth's was the smaller organisation so necessarily he played the humbler part once the merger had taken place. He cheerfully accepted the post not even of deputy general secretary but merely of senior deputation secretary in the new organisation, renamed the United Society for the Propagation of the Gospel. He held that job for three years before in 1967 going out once again to the mission field in Africa whence he returned in 1973 to take up the position of deputy secretary of the USPG, in which he served until his retirement in 1980.

John Sydney Kingsnorth was brought up in Southgate, north London, in the Evangelical tradition of the Church of England. He initially tried his hand at accountancy before going up to Keble College, Oxford, in 1936, where he took a second in Theology. From there he trained for the priesthood at Cuddesdon — an early sign that the influence of his Evangelical background was fading. He served his title at All Souls, Leeds, staying there for five years before leaving in November 1945 for what was then Northern Rhodesia as an UMCA missionary. He spent the next 16 years there, ministering in a variety of parishes and mastering a number of local languages. In 1961 he was appointed an honorary canon of Lusaka Cathedral and, briefly, became Archdeacon of Northern Rhodesia.

He returned to Britain later in the same year to take over the leadership of the missionary society which he had first joined as a curate in Leeds. He came into office as something of a reformer, having already spotted that UMCA's rule against its members marrying was unlikely to survive the changing social mores of the modern world. While in the field he had also foreseen the need for bringing on indigenous leadership within the Church — if only to match the growing move throughout Africa towards independence.

In the years building up to the eventual merger with SPG, his was a reassuring presence to all UMCA members. He worked hard to ensure their peace of mind and his efforts did much to preserve stability. Certainly, no one could doubt his own disinterestedness: he was, in effect, negotiating himself out of a job. But his own relationship with Bishop Trapp of the SPG — built up through their having nearby offices in the same street — was a very close one, and he was among those who regretted it when Trapp in 1970 abandoned the leadership of the USPG to take on the hardly awesome responsibility of presiding over the diocese of Bermuda.

By that time, however, Kingsnorth himself was back in what had become Zambia. In 1967, having seen through the transitional period following the merger, he accepted an invitation to become rector of Chingola in the Copperbelt. Here both his pastoral and language skills were deployed in a large African urban parish where political sensitivity mattered enormously. His influence gradually spread throughout the country and when the first African was appointed as bishop in 1970 Kingsnorth, as secretary of the Zambia Anglican Council, served very much as his *fidus Achates*.

His knowledge of accountancy and experience of administration now came into their own. Unfortunately, having already been badly injured in a car crash, he later fell victim to an obscure illness which, although eventually cured by a local Asian doctor, led to his being advised to return to England. This he did in 1973 to take up the position of deputy secretary of the USPG, where he faithfully served the two secretaries who followed Bishop Trapp.

In Tufton Street, then the site of the USPG headquarters, Kingsnorth cheerfully accepted every task laid upon him. As chaplain, he preached pithily and pointedly to the staff drawing on a wealth of insights provided by his diligent reading; and as general editor of the society's publications he added a new bite and clarity to its literature matched by a freshly-discovered mastery of the techniques of print production. But, above all, there was the fact of his presence — as reassuring now to all members of USPG as it had previously been to the supporters of UMCA.

While in London he found time to be chaplain to the Community of the Resurrection Sisters and, later, to serve as assistant priest at the Church of the Ascension, Blackheath. In retirement, after 1980, he became honorary curate of the parish of St Michael, Barnes.

His last years spent at Wilton, outside Salisbury, were overshadowed by illness — but even when, after a spinal operation, he could no longer celebrate Holy Communion, he continued to preach. One of his last tasks was to write the obituary of Bishop Eric Trapp which was published in *The Times* last month.

He is survived by his wife Daphne whom he married before his return to Zambia in 1967 and who was very much his partner in all his subsequent work.

FERNAND LEDOUX

Fernand Ledoux, France's most prolific theatre and screen actor over a period of more than 60 years, died on September 21 in Calvados, Normandy, aged 96. He was born on January 24, 1897, in Tirlemont, Belgium.



Ledoux in *Pattes Blanches, Monseignour* (1949)

FERNAND LEDOUX's theatrical career stretched from his debut at the Comédie Française in 1921 at the age of 24 to the late 1950s with notable performances in Molière's *Tartuffe*. In all, he estimated he had appeared in some 800 plays. He began in the cinema in 1918 in a silent film and continued until 1981 when with Patrick Dewaere, he played in Henri Verneuil's *Mille Milliard de Dollars*, a sharp satire of international capitalism based on the ITT empire.

In his 150 films, he played a wide range of roles, notably a criminal alongside Jean Gabin and Simone Simon in Jean Renoir's *La Bete humaine* (The Human Beast) in 1938. After resigning from the Comédie Française in 1942 because of the pernicious influence of the Occupation on the French theatre, he played a medieval prince in *Les Visiteurs du Soir* (The Devil's Envoys). Marcel Carne's highly popular film adaptation of an Emile Zola novel shot in the darkest days of the second world war in collaboration with the poet and screenwriter Jacques Prévert. Ledoux starred alongside Arletty and Jules Berry and his performance opened the way to bigger roles.

Ledoux, born into a family of traders, studied for the priesthood in Belgium, but switched to acting. He went to Paris in 1919 after service in the first world war and studied at the Academy of Dramatic Art with Charles Boyer, Madeleine Renaud and Marie Bell, winning second prize for comedy.

He adopted French nationality, but after entering the Comédie Française he had to wait for a decade before being appointed a "sociétaire," or full member of the company. As such, he was able to take on major roles in plays by Molière, Pirandello and François Mauriac. As Tartuffe, he was considered the equal of Louis Jouvet, the leading actor of the period. He starred in a number of notable films during the wartime years, such as Maurice Tourneur's *Volpone* and Henri Decoin's *Premiere Rendezvous* with Danielle Darrieux and Louis Jourdan. *Les Visiteurs du Soir* was followed by Jacques Becker's brilliant *Goupi Mains rouge* (It Happened at the Inn), a realistic tale of peasant life, and Henri Decoin's *L'Homme de Londres*, based on a Georges Simenon novel.

After a host of other films, Ledoux returned to the Comédie Française in 1951 at the age of 54 and also became a professor at the Academy between 1957 and 1967 where one of his pupils was the celebrated Suzanne Flon. Yet another career opened up with a prominent second role in a series of American films including Darryl Zanuck's D-Day epic, *The Longest Day*, John Houston's *Freud* and Robert Parrish's *A Day After*. He also played in Orson Welles' *Kafka*. He continued to make films throughout the 1970s. During his long career French cinema audiences took to him whether he was playing passionate roles or more straightforward comedy. Physically, he resembled Monsieur Tout-le-Monde (Everyman), but his roles were often complex. He is survived by his four children.

MAURICE ABRAVANEL

Maurice Abravanel, conductor, died in Salt Lake City, Utah, on September 22 aged 90. He was born in Salonika, Greece, on January 6, 1903.



A JEWISH refugee from Nazi Germany who settled in America, Maurice Abravanel gained an international reputation for his interpretations of the music of Mahler and Kurt Weill. He had grown up in Lausanne, born to parents who could trace their Sephardic lineage back to Don Isaac Abravanel, chancellor to Queen Isabella of Spain, and who had intended that young Maurice should make his career in medicine.

Abravanel had other ideas. Falling under the influence of the conductor, Ernest Ansermet, a neighbour in his parents' apartment building, he took up conducting at the age of 16 and never changed his mind. In 1922 he moved to Berlin, where he studied composition and performance with Kurt Weill, only three years his senior. Weill, Abravanel was to say later, was "a lousy teacher," but the two men became firm friends and collaborators until Weill's untimely death in 1950.

In the turbulent atmosphere of the Weimar Republic, Abravanel moved in the circles of Weill, Bertolt Brecht, Paul Hindemith and Bruno Walter, leading orchestras in most of the major German cities. He attracted international attention with his 1930 performance of Weill's complete *Mahagonny* at the Kassel Opera, and became a guest conductor with the Berlin State Opera in the early 1930s. But then came Adolf Hitler, and Abravanel wisely decided to take his career abroad.

After a spell as music director of the George Balanchine Ballet, during which he staged the world première of Weill's *Seven Deadly Sins*, Abravanel was recommended to the New York Metropolitan Opera by Walter and Furtwängler and became its youngest staff conductor in 1936. Conflicts with management over rehearsal time, however, cut short his career at the Met after only two years, and he turned his attention to Broadway. There, over the next few years, he led the first performances of Weill's *Knickerbocker Holiday*, *Lady in the Dark*, *One Touch of Venus*, and *Street Scene*.

In 1947, Abravanel made a surprising move: he went to Utah, which was hardly the cultural Mecca of America at the time, and where the state symphony orchestra had an undistinguished reputation. Over the next 29 years as musical director of the Utah Symphony, Abravanel changed all that. Reaching out to rural communities with a repertoire stocked with the works of 20th-century composers, he succeeded in making the orchestra so popular that Utah achieved the highest per capita attendance at symphony concerts of any American state.

Abravanel achieved worldwide recognition during this period through his recordings on the Vanguard label, notably for his complete cycle of the Mahler symphonies which remains the only such cycle made entirely with an American orchestra. His interpretation of Mahler was more serious and disciplined than the flamboyant performances of Leonard Bernstein — a welcome change for many critics.

"I loved Lenny," Abravanel said later, "but sometimes I felt he tried to make Mahler too different, too neurotic. I didn't try to perform the music as a music of extremes."

Although he retired in 1979, Abravanel remained active musically and taught young musicians every summer at the Tanglewood festival in Massachusetts until the time of his death. He is survived by his third wife, Caroline, whom he married in 1987, and by two sons.

J. L. KENNERLEY BANKES

James Kennerley Bankes, ophthalmic surgeon, died of cancer on October 16 aged 58. He was born on March 10, 1935.



JAMES BANKES was consultant opthalmic surgeon at St Mary's Hospital, Paddington, from 1969 until he retired on health grounds in 1989. His beds were in the Western Ophthalmic Hospital and his efforts as the chief instigator and fund-raiser resulted in the modernisation of the operating theatres in the hospital and also in the opening of a refurbished children's ward. He was particularly drawn to paediatric ophthalmology and took delight in his smaller patients, with whom he would be endlessly tolerant in the carrying out of examinations and treatment.

He founded the "Save Sight Fund" charity, which provided funding for projects at the Western Ophthalmic Hospital. His main concern was the continued improvement of teaching and research in ophthalmology and in partnership with the Ulverscroft Foundation he set in motion a Chair in Clinical Ophthalmology at St Mary's Hospital which is to be known as the Kennerley Bankes Chair.

His other main contribution to teaching was his book *Clinical Ophthalmology: a text and colour atlas*, specifically targeted at medical students, general practitioners and those beginning a career in ophthalmology, where it filled a gap and was translated for publication abroad. He had just updated and completed the Third Edition.

Injuries to the eye caused by sport was another area of his expertise and he served on the Squash Rackets Eye Safety Committee.

James Leslie Kennerley Bankes was born in Romiley, Cheshire, and after the war the family moved to Norfolk where he completed his education at King Edward VII School, King's Lynn.

Bankes followed his father into the world of opthalmic optics, and it was during his training for this profession that he realised his true interest was ophthalmic surgery. After qualification as an ophthalmic optician he began his medical career as a student at St Mary's Hospital, Paddington, which was the start of his total loyalty to every aspect of life in that hospital. He represented the hospital at hockey which he also played for the United Hospitals team.

After qualifying in 1961 he began his specialist training in ophthalmology which included a period at Moorfields Eye Hospital before he was appointed Consultant Ophthalmic Surgeon at St Mary's.

He was honorary consultant ophthalmic surgeon to St Luke's Hospital for the Clergy and the Royal Hospital, Chelsea. He had a particularly soft spot for the Royal Hospital and was constantly moved by the Chelsea Pensioners march past on Oak Apple Day, a celebration of their Founder's Day.

He became a Liveryman of the Worshipful Company of Spectacle Makers and was Master of the Company, 1991-92.

In the last six years his illness took progressive toll and caused him to resign from the National Health Service. However, he was able to continue his honorary duties until three weeks before his death.

A keen sportsman and walker, when he was no longer able to pursue these pastimes he used his spare time to increase his knowledge in other fields, including art and antique furniture. He also became a connoisseur of fine wines.

James Bankes enjoyed a contented family life with his wife Jofan who survives him together with their two sons.

Sir Arthur Drew

IN THE first two editions of *The Times* of October 20 it was wrongly stated that the late Sir Arthur Drew's marriage had been dissolved. This error, which was corrected in later editions, is much regretted. In addition to his four children, Sir Arthur is survived by his devoted wife, Rachel, with whom he celebrated his golden wedding earlier this year. We offer our sincere apologies to Lady Drew and her family.

Jack Beldon

JACK S. BELDON, chairman and general manager of Goodyear, Great Britain, died on October 18 aged 54.

An American citizen, he had run Goodyear, Great Britain, only since February of this year, although he had been with the company since joining it as a trainee in 1964.

Born in Newark, New Jersey, Beldon graduated from Colgate University, New York State, and held both an MBA and a degree in foreign trade. He had served Goodyear in a number of overseas posts, having latterly been managing director successively in Peru and Venezuela. He was appointed sales and marketing director for the whole of Latin America in 1989, moving to Turkey in 1991.

On his transfer to Britain in 1993, he worked at the company's Wolverhampton headquarters and made his home there. Beldon, who is believed to have suffered a heart attack after jogging, leaves a widow Carole and two children.

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LIFE PEERESSES TAKE THE OATH

FIRST IN HISTORY OF PARLIAMENT

From Our Parliamentary Correspondent

WESTMINSTER, Tuesday

An unmistakable sense of history in the making enriched the ceremonies attending the introduction of the first group of new life peers in the House of Lords to-day. The fact that two of them were women, Baroness Swanborough (the Dowager Marchioness of Reading) and Baroness Wootton of Abinger (Mrs. Barbara Wootton), lent a quality of its own to proceedings which their grace and dignity endowed also with a marked panache.

The formalities traditional to the introduction of a baron bore subtle variations to accomodate them to the innovation enacted before the well filled, expectant House. The high significance of the occasion had brought about 100 peers to welcome the newcomers.

The first new peer to be introduced to-day was Lord Parker of Waddington, the Lord Chief Justice, whose sponsors were his predecessor, Lord Goddard, and Lord Evershed, Master of the Rolls. The House thus heard for the first time in the letters patent the variants to the usual form which were echoed with slight differences in the other introductions. In each case the phrase occurred, "In pursuance of the Life Peerages Act, 1958, and of all other powers in that behalf us enabling." Later the "name, state, degree, style, dignity, title and honour" of a barony was conferred on each, to have and to hold for his (or her) life.

There was a marked quickening of excitement before the introduction of Baroness Swanborough, the first of the new peeresses to be introduced. Up to a point the ceremonial followed the traditional course adopted for the other peers. There was the slow, solemn entry of Black Rod, Lieutenant-General Sir Brian Horrocks, Sir George Bellew, Garter Principal King of Arms, in his glittering tabard, and the Duke of Norfolk, Earl Marshal, in peer's robes. Then came the new peeress, walking between her sponsors, Lord Chorley and Lord Burnham.

Each member of the procession paused midway to bow to the throne. Their slow progress ended at the Woolsack, where, as customary, the new peeress knelt to present her writ of summons to the Lord Chancellor, and both formally touched the letters patent proffered by Garter King of Arms ...

After the taking of the oath, Garter conducted Lady Swanborough and her sponsors to the barons' benches—past her stepson, Lord Reading, on the front bench.

When the turn came for Baroness Wootton of Abinger she was addressed on the letters patent as "our trusty and well beloved Barbara Frances Wright, commonly known as Barbara Wootton." The House was a little startled when she waved aside the Testament and in ringing tones announced her conscientious objection to the taking of an oath. Instead, she "solemnly, sincerely, and truly" declared and affirmed her allegiance to the Queen ...

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"Life peeresses" proclaimed the bold headline nearly 40 years ago, but now with 76 against 382 life peers feminists might think they are cast in small type. The total so ennobled still falls far short of the 842 hereditary titles.

NEWS

Police reforms to be watered down

■ Michael Howard is expected to water down the unpopular Sheehy reforms next week as he tries to forge a partnership with a police community that is again mourning a murdered colleague.

The likelihood of the police winning substantial concessions emerged as MPs, the police and the public united in outrage at the killing on Wednesday in Clapham, south-west London, of Patrick Dunne, an unarmed community constable, by a gang of feuding drug dealers ..... **Pages 1, 3, 21**

Bundesbank raises hopes of UK rate cut

■ The Bundesbank has provided a welcome fillip for European economies by cutting its discount rate, a move which may strengthen the case for a base-rate cut at Budget time ..... **Pages 1, 25, 27**

Queen's pledge

The Queen has indicated that she would not stand in the way of Commonwealth countries such as Australia becoming republics. *Her comments were made* aboard the royal yacht *Britannia* after the opening of the Commonwealth conference in Cyprus ..... **Pages 1, 14**

Kasparov victory

Garry Kasparov clinched his victory and more than £1 million prize money in *The Times* World Chess Championship at the *Savoy Theatre in London by a margin of 12½-7½ last night*, after agreeing a draw with Nigel Short in the 20th game of their match ..... **Pages 1, 8**

Virgin's $1bn claim

Virgin Atlantic has filed an anti-trust action in New York against British Airways claiming potential damages of up to $1 billion. *BA is accused of using a variety of* "dirty tricks" to tip competition on transatlantic routes in its favour ..... **Page 1**

Security for wives

Wives who agree that their family home can be used as security when their husbands raise a business loan will have greater protection against losing their property under a ruling by the House of Lords ..... **Page 2**

Hospitals threat

More hospitals are likely to close as competition between them intensifies following the government's announcement of a review of NHS management ..... **Page 2**

Talks ruled out

Sir Patrick Mayhew, the Northern Ireland secretary, told the Commons yesterday that he had ruled out an early resumption of *round-the-table talks for the main* parties in Ulster ..... **Page 13**

Interpreter gets life

An Armenian interpreter received two life sentences at the Old Bailey for taking part in the killing of the self-styled prime minister of a rival Russian state and his brother ..... **Page 5**

Holiday discounts

Credit card companies are among the leading organisations offering reductions in the cost of holidays as an incentive to customers ..... **Page 10**

Airports blocked

Striking Air France ground staff blocked the main roads to both main Paris airports after riot *police used tear gas and water* cannons to keep them off the runways. Foreign flights were unaffected ..... **Page 17**

Election anger

Serbian opposition parties have reacted angrily to the calling of fresh elections by President Milosevic, and there have been calls for a boycott ..... **Page 17**

Russia backs down

Russia has backed down on plans to dump more nuclear waste in the Sea of Japan but said that it would need foreign aid to build a new processing plant within 18 months or it would resume them ..... **Page 16**

Home truths for Swedish fathers

■ Swedish families could lose thousands of pounds in state benefits unless the father takes time off work to care for his young child. The move is among proposals by a government-appointed committee to increase fathers' responsibilities for their children. Another proposal would make joint custody the norm in the case of family breakdowns ..... **Page 17**

CRISPIN RODWELL



The trawler *Kincora* burning on the sands at Portavogie, co. Down. It is one of 28 boats that have been decommissioned in the area because, according to skippers, they are no longer commercially viable. The remains of another trawler lie on the right

BUSINESS

Trade: Britain's visible trade deficit with countries outside the EC widened last month to its worst level since February mostly because of a jump in imports and despite evidence that domestic demand is still sluggish ..... **Page 25**

Invergordon: One of Scotland's biggest whisky groups has lost a two-year fight for independence after a £382 million takeover bid from Whyte & Mackay ..... **Page 25**

Markets: The FT-SE 100 Index closed at a record high, up 32.0 points at 3188.3. Sterling's trade-weighted index rose from 79.9 to 80.2 as the pound climbed from DM2.4523 to DM2.4661 but fell from $1.4885 to $1.4865 ..... **Page 28**

SPORT

Baseball: The Toronto Blue Jays and Philadelphia Phillies shattered several records in the fourth game of their World Series. The Blues Jays won *15-14 in four hours 14 minutes, the longest and highest* scoring game in the 90-year history of the event ..... **Page 42**

Golf: John Daly and Severiano Ballesteros were knocked out at the first-round stage of the World Match Play Championship at Wentworth. Both suffered heavy defeats ..... **Page 48**

Tennis: Clare Wood, of Britain, reached the quarter-finals of the Autoglass Classic in Brighton when she beat Leila Meskhi, of Georgia ..... **Page 46**

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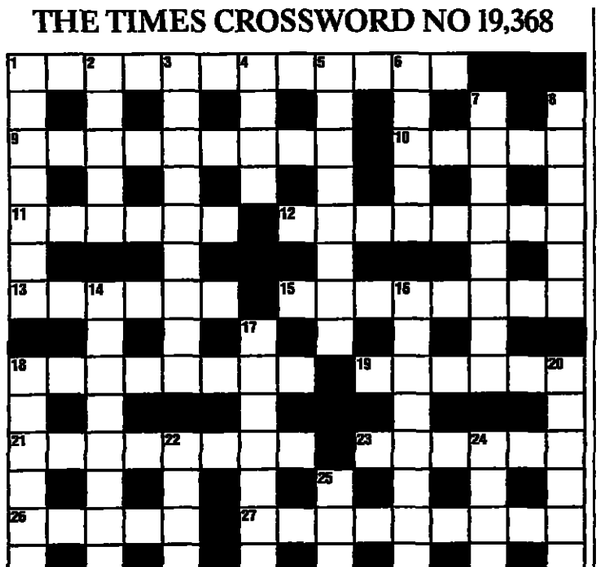
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ABROAD

MIDDAY: t=thunder; d=drizzle; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain

	C	F			C	F	
Ajaccio	14	57	r	Majorca	16	61	f
Alcrotiri	30	86	s	Malaga	24	75	s
Alex'dria	30	86	s	Malta	23	73	c
Algiers	17	63	r	Melb'rne	13	55	c
Amst'dm	7	45	r	Miami*	30	86	f
Athens	23	73	s	Milan	13	55	c
Bahrain	30	86	s	Montreal*	13	55	s
Bangkok	30	86	f	Moscow	5	41	s
Barbados*	30	86	f	Munich	8	43	r
Barcelona	17	63	f	Nairobi	25	77	f
Beirut	30	86	f	Naples	22	72	f
Belgrade	14	57	s	N Delhi	29	84	s
Berlin	8	46	r	N York*	13	55	r
Bermuda*	26	79	s	Nice	19	66	s
Biarritz	13	55	f	Oslo	3	37	sn
Borde'x	13	55	r	Paris	9	48	r
Brussels	9	48	c	Peking	17	63	s
Budapst	10	50	d	Perth	24	75	s
B Aires*	23	73	f	Prague	8	46	r
Cairo	32	90	s	Reykjavik	8	46	r
Cape Tn	21	70	s	Rhodes	25	77	s
Chicago*	15	59	c	Rio de J	31	88	f
Ch'church	19	66	r	Riyadh	33	91	s
Cologne	9	48	r	Rome	24	75	c
C'phagn	7	45	r	Salzburg	7	45	r
Corfu	22	72	f	S F'isco*	18	64	s
Dublin	9	48	s	Santiago*	12	54	f
Dubrovnik	22	72	r	S Paulo*	29	84	f
Faro	22	72	s	Seoul	17	63	s
Florence	16	61	r	Sing'por	33	91	r
Frankfurt	7	45	c	Stckholm	3	37	r
Funchal	21	70	s	Strasb'rg	7	45	r
Geneva	9	48	r	Sydney	19	66	s
Gibraltar	21	70	s	Tangier	21	70	s
Helsinki	2	36	r	Tel Aviv	34	93	s
Hong K	28	82	s	Tenerife	22	72	f
Innsbrck	6	43	r	Tokyo	18	64	c
Istanbul	20	68	s	Toronto*	12	54	r
Jeddah	29	84	r	Tunis	18	66	r
Jo'burg*	24	75	s	Valencia	20	68	s
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Locarno	11	52	r	Warsaw	7	45	c
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Luxembg	7	46	c	Wellington	15	59	c
Luxor	35	95	s	Zurich	7	45	c
Madrid	13	55	s				

* denotes figures are latest available

LONDON

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 10C (50F); min 6pm to 6am, 4C (39F). Humidity: 6pm, 61 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6pm, trace. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 4.3hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6pm, 1,025.0 millibars, rising.
1,000 millibars = 29.53in.

HIGHEST & LOWEST

Wednesday: Highest day temp: Penzance, Cornwall, 14C (57F); lowest day max: Loch Glascarnoch, Highland, 6C (43F); highest rainfall: Machrihanish, Kintyre, 0.41in, highest sunshine: Penzance, Cornwall, 8hr.

MANCHESTER

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 9C (48F); min 6pm to 6am, 3C (37F). Rain: 24hr to 6pm, 0.04in. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 6.4hr.

GLASGOW

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 8C (48F); min 6pm to 6am, 1C (34F). Rain: 24hr to 6pm, nil. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 9hr.

AROUND BRITAIN

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Aberdeen	3.5	0.12	8	46	shower
Aviemore	3.3	0.21	7	45	sleet
Belfast	3.5	0.07	11	52	shower
Birmingham	1.8	-	12	54	cloudy
Bognor Regis	4.2	-	11	52	sunny
Bournemouth	5.0	-	12	54	sunny
Bristol	4.7	-	13	55	sunny
Buxton	1.4	0.13	8	46	rain
Cardiff	4.8	-	12	54	bright
Clacton	3.4	-	9	48	sunny
Edinburgh	4.4	0.06	11	52	shower
Eskdalemuir	4.1	0.23	10	50	hail
Exmouth	5.9	-	12	54	sunny
Falmouth	6.8	-	13	55	sunny
Folkestone	3.3	-	10	50	bright
Glasgow	6.8	0.14	11	52	shower
Guernsey	4.7	-	12	54	sunny
Hunstanton	3.8	-	11	52	sunny
Isle of Man	-	0.04	9	48	shower
Jersey	2.5	0.13	12	54	shower
Kinloss	2.5	-	12	54	bright
Leeds	1.8	0.20	8	46	shower
Lerwick	1.7	0.03	11	52	rain
Littlehampton	1.9	0.17	7	45	shower
Liverpool	4.0	-	11	52	sunny
London	1.1	0.17	10	50	shower
Lowestoft	3.1	-	11	52	bright
Manchester	0.2	-	9	48	cloudy
Morecambe	0.1	0.10	10	50	rain
Margate	1.6	0.17	11	52	shower
Newcastle	2.9	-	9	48	bright
Newquay	2.4	0.04	12	54	cloudy
Nottingham	6.2	-	11	52	sunny
Penzance	0.2	0.03	10	50	rain
Plymouth	8.0	-	14	57	sunny
Poole	5.9	-	13	55	sunny
Sandown	5.3	-	12	54	sunny
Saunton Snd	4.5	-	11	52	sunny
Scilly Isles	5.2	-	13	55	bright
Stornoway	7.0	-	14	57	sunny
Swanage	6.0	0.06	8	46	shower
Teignmouth	4.7	-	12	54	sunny
Tenby	6.0	-	13	55	sunny
Tiree	5.1	-	13	55	bright
Torquay	6.1	0.31	10	50	shower
Weymouth	5.1	-	14	57	sunny
Wick	4.8	-	12	54	sunny

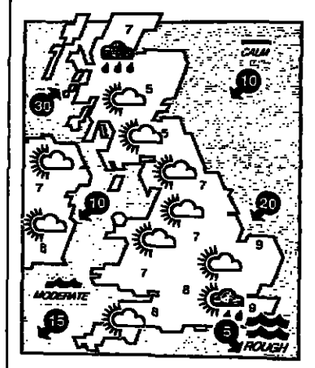
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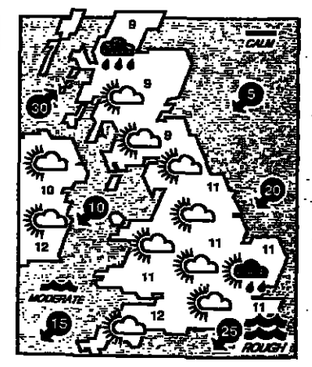
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Australia $	2.33	2.13
Austria Sch	16.35	16.65
Belgium Fr	56.59	52.19
Canada $	2.087	1.926
Cyprus Cypf	0.775	0.725
Denmark Kr	10.53	9.73
Finland Mkk	8.10	8.30
France Fr	9.13	8.43
Germany Dm	2.60	2.39
Greece Dr	370.50	345.50
Hong Kong $	12.22	11.22
Ireland Pt	1.09	1.01
Italy Lira	2492.00	2327.00
Japan Yen	179.00	159.50
Malta	0.577	0.552
Netherlands Gld	2.915	2.685
Norway Kr	11.31	10.51
Portugal Esc	264.50	246.00
South Africa Rd	5.90	5.00
Spain Pta	204.00	190.00
Sweden Kr	12.37	11.57
Switzerland Fr	2.30	2.12
Turkey Lira	19300	18900
USA $	1.593	1.463

Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques. Rates as at close of trading yesterday.

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LIGHTING-UP TIMES

London 6.23 pm to 7.07 am
Bristol 6.33 pm to 7.16 am
Edinburgh 6.25 pm to 7.28 am
Manchester 6.27 pm to 7.19 am
Penzance 6.47 pm to 7.26 am

Sun rises: 7.37 am
Sun sets: 5.53 pm
Moon sets: 2.30 pm
Moon rises: n/a
First quarter 9.52 am

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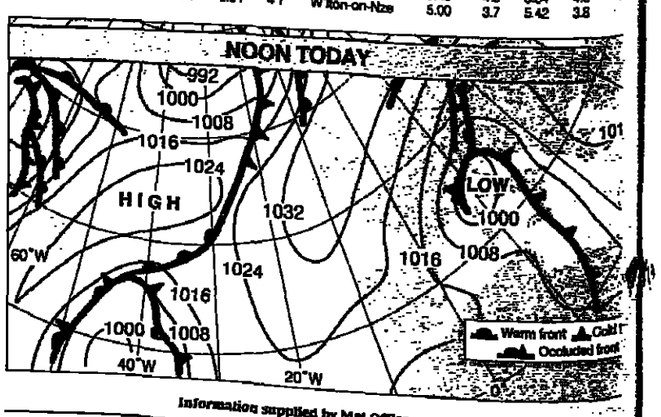
Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain, s, sun.

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B'rmgham	7	45	c	Inverness	7	45	f
Blackpool	9	48	f	Jersey	10	50	f
Bristol	9	48	s	London	9	48	c
Cardiff	10	50	s	M'nchster	8	46	f
Edinburgh	8	46	s	Newcastle	8	46	f
Glasgow	9	48	s	R'nldsway	9	48	s

HIGH TIDES

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT	TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	7.11	6.3	7.46	6.3	Liverpool	4.42	7.8	5.07	8.0
Aberdeen	7.24	3.6	7.29	3.6	Lowestoft	2.39	2.3	3.52	2.2
Avonmouth	12.20	10.9	12.47	10.6	Margate	5.16	4.3	5.59	4.2
Belfast	4.59	3.0	5.16	3.1	Milford Haven	11.58	5.7	—	—
Cardiff	12.05	10.2	12.32	9.9	Newquay	10.55	5.8	11.31	5.4
Devonport	11.26	4.7	—	—	Oban	11.29	3.2	11.43	2.7
Dover	4.24	5.9	5.00	5.6	Penzance	10.40	4.7	11.35	4.3
Falmouth	10.56	4.5	11.48	4.1	Portland	11.48	1.6	—	—
Glasgow	6.05	4.5	6.26	4.7	Portsmouth	5.01	4.2	5.20	3.9
Harwich	5.03	3.6	5.41	3.6	Shoreham	4.29	5.4	4.53	5.1
Holyhead	4.05	4.6	4.27	4.8	Southampton	4.43	4.0	5.03	3.8
Hull	—	—	12.12	6.0	Swansea	11.57	7.9	12.34	7.4
Ilfracombe	11.40	7.5	—	—	Tees	9.43	4.5	9.54	4.6
King's Lynn	—	—	12.24	5.3	W'ton-on-Nze	5.00	3.7	5.42	3.8
Leith	6.40	4.8	8.54	4.7					

NOON TODAY



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Invergordon's board refused to concede defeat at once, but Chris Greig, the chairman, stands to make £12 million from the takeover by Whyte & Mackay

Invergordon succumbs to £382m offer from W&M

BY MARTIN WALLER, DEPUTY CITY EDITOR

INVERGORDON Distillers, one of Scotland's biggest whisky groups, is about to lose a two-year fight for independence. It is the target of a £382 million takeover bid from Whyte & Mackay, which is owned by American Brands, the giant American tobacco and drinks combine.

The offer is virtually guaranteed of success, as Whyte & Mackay holds 54.7 per cent of the shares. A key 13.5 per cent block of shares swung its way on Monday night.

But a disappointed Invergordon board, which fought off an onslaught from Whyte & Mackay two years ago, was refusing last night to sanction the deal at once. As directors consulted their financial advisers and called for a meeting with Whyte & Mackay, a statement said the £3-a-share offer "fails to recognise the strategic value to WM of Invergordon's business". Shareholders were advised to take no action.

The offer would, however, make an instant millionaire of Chris Greig, Invergordon's chairman, who is sitting on shares worth almost £12 million bought at low prices. Other directors and employees own shares worth another £17 million.

The bidder had been in talks for weeks with Fleming Investment Management, which owned 13.5 per cent of Invergordon. (Fleming's merchant banking arm, as it happens, had been helping the Invergordon defence.) Whyte & Mackay is thought to have made an initial offer of 295p a share, and a 5p top-up convinced Fleming to sell. Whyte & Mackay was then required, under takeover rules, to launch a full bid at this new price. Invergordon shares edged ahead by 3p, to 297p.

A merger would create the third-biggest force in the Scotch whisky industry, after Guinness and Allied-Lyons. Whyte & Mackay's principal brands include Whyte & Mackay Special Reserve, The Claymore and The Dalmore Single Malt. The group also owns Vladivar vodka.

Much of Invergordon's output is of own-label whiskies to supermarkets, but it also owns The Original Mackinlay, Isle of Jura single malt and Glayva Liqueur. There is a joint venture with Tate & Lyle to produce pure white spirit for the gin and vodka trade. A takeover will also give Whyte & Mackay access to the last independent grain distillery.

Invergordon was the subject of a buyout in 1988 and a flotation in 1990. Whyte & Mackay's offer price compares with the 275p narrowly rejected by Invergordon's shareholders late in 1991; Whyte & Mackay was left with a 41.2 per cent stake. The shares sank as low as 248p a year ago, and even as bid expectations were refuelled this year, City analysts were downgrading profit forecasts.

An Invergordon spokesman commented: "We're obviously disappointed that Whyte & Mackay didn't first put a similar offer to the company. It's also a disappointment that Fleming Investment Management should have chosen to sell its shares."

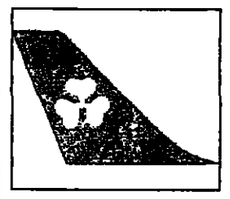
Michael Lunn, chairman and chief executive of Whyte & Mackay, said Fleming had approached his company with an offer to sell its stake. Talks with Invergordon over an agreed bid had broken down in the summer.

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BUSINESS EDITOR
Robert Ballantyne

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The first oilfield to the west of Britain received government approval yesterday, providing 3,600 jobs
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Imports push non-EC trade gap to £1.09bn

BY JANET BUSH
ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

■ **Sales of new cars overseas fell sharply last month and were 23 per cent down on September last year. Sales to Europe are down 16 per cent in the first 9 months of 1993**

BRITAIN'S visible trade deficit with countries outside the EC widened last month to its worst level since February, mostly because of a jump in imports, despite evidence that domestic demand is still sluggish.

After a run of figures earlier this year showing that imports were fairly subdued and that exports were healthy, the figures suggested for the first time that Britain is, even in the early stages of a weak economic recovery, showing an alarming propensity to suck in imports. It is also worrying that even trade with non-EC countries, the ones which are showing some growth, is deteriorating. This suggests trade with the EC, which is in recession and which accounts for about two-thirds of Britain's exports, will have deteriorated even more dramatically when these figures are published.

Last week, figures for whole world trade for July showed a deterioration in trade trends, with the current account deficit jumping to £1.5 billion from £1.2 billion in June.

The Central Statistical Office reported that the trade gap with non-EC countries had widened to £1.09 billion last month from an upwardly revised shortfall in August of £729 million. The CSO said the deficit was boosted by a delivery of imported jumbo jets. The Treasury said the deterioration was not nearly as marked if trade was measured without oil and erratics. On this measure, however, the visible trade deficit still widened to £662 million last month from £541 million in August.

Trade volume trends appear to have started to worsen. In the third quarter, export volumes less oil and erratics increased 1 per cent and were 10.6 per cent higher than a year ago, while import volumes rose 1.5 per cent and were 11.2 per cent higher than a year earlier. In September alone, export volumes excluding oil and erratics were up 1.25 per cent but import volumes were up 5 per cent. The non-EC visible trade deficit was £2.6 billion in the third quarter, compared with £2.2 billion in the second, but, excluding oil and erratics, there was an improvement in the deficit from £2.1 billion in the second quarter to £1.9 billion in the third.

Figures from the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders showed sales of new cars overseas dropping sharply. In September, the output of cars for export fell more than 23 per cent compared with a year ago. European sales are down 16 per cent this year.

Gerard Lyons, chief economist at DKB International, said he would be surprised if higher imports in non-EC trade did not also appear in Britain's European trade figures. He said: "What we are seeing is a sluggish, ill-balanced recovery in which consumption — despite still being relatively weak — is too high a proportion of economic growth."

What the latest sets of trade figures suggest is that British exporters, particularly to the European continent, are running up against slumping demand which is outweighing the considerable competitive advantage afforded by sterling's devaluation, but, at the same time, British consumers are spending their money on imported goods.

Robert Lind of UBS Ltd said: "The performance of imports affords little comfort. A moderate recovery in domestic demand has already fuelled rising imports. The UK's trading constraint will come back to dog the economy's performance through the mid-1990s."

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Germany triggers rate cuts

BY OUR ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

THE Bundesbank's decision to cut official rates sent off a wave of rate cuts around Europe and injected another dose of enthusiasm into European stock markets hoping for more cuts to end recession.

Nearly £6 billion was added to the value of shares in London, as buyers chased prices higher in thin conditions and interest rate euphoria returned to the Square Mile.

The timing of the reduction in key German interest rates caught many traders by surprise. Dealers said that the Bundesbank's latest 50 basis point cut should pave the way for at least a similar cut before next month's Budget.

Late buying helped the FT-SE 100 finish at its best level. The index advanced 32 points to close at a record of 3,188.3. Second-liners saw more modest gains, with the FT-SE Mid 250 up 19.1 to 3,526.2. Volume reached an active 745.6 million shares.

The Bundesbank's decision to cut its official interest rates was swiftly followed by Belgium, which cut its discount rate by 50 basis points to 6 per cent, and by similar moves by Switzerland and Italy. The French are expected to trim their key intervention rate on Monday.

The news, which came earlier than many market participants had expected, sent the French franc sharply higher. The Belgian franc also firmed, after the Belgian interest rate cuts.

On the British government bond market, gilt futures reached record highs on belief that European rates are headed lower. Sterling jumped more than two pfennigs against a broadly weaker mark in late London trading when it was quoted at about DM2.4740. The pound's trade weighted index closed at 80.2, compared with 79.9 on Wednesday night.

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Receiverships point to flagging recovery

BY ROSS TIEMAN, INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

FRESH signs that the recovery is flagging are contained in figures showing a rise in receiverships during the third quarter, breaking a nine-month downward trend.

Although receiverships were 29.9 per cent down year-on-year, at 722, KPMG Peat Marwick, which assembled the figures, said a 7.4 per cent rise in appointments between the second and third quarters showed that economic difficulties were far from over.

Tim Hayward, KPMG's head of corporate recovery, said that the recovery remained fragile. The biggest rise in appointments occurred in manufacturing. In the second quarter, manufacturing receiverships accounted for 25 per cent of the total, but in the third, the proportion rose to 29 per cent.

The proportion of construction company collapses has fallen from 19 to 15 per cent. Finance and business services also registered a decline, but the proportion of failures involving retail companies rose two points to 12 per cent.

In the first nine months, there have been 2,360 new appointments, a hefty fall on the same period of last year.

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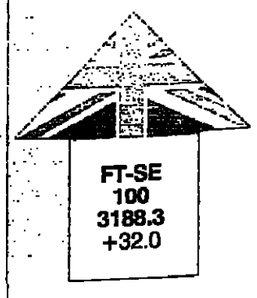
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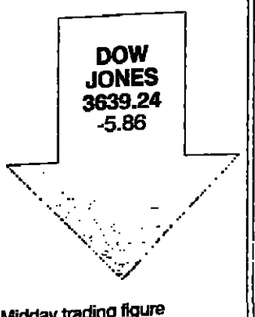
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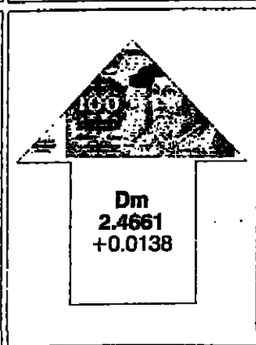
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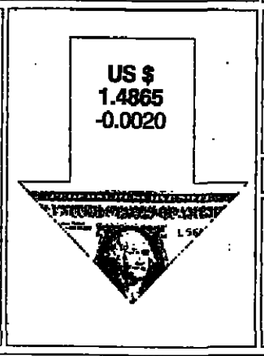




Midday trading figure

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LONDON CLOSING PRICES

Power firm in cable TV venture

SOUTH Wales Electricity, one of the 12 privatised electricity distributors in England and Wales, is diversifying into cable television, where it plans a £30 million investment.

It is forming a joint venture with International CableTel, of Delaware, America, to create a new cable television and telecommunications company in South Wales.

The new company aims to develop services in the existing cable television and telephony franchise areas of Cardiff, Newport, and Swansea. The intention is to build it into a business worth £200 million by the end of the decade

The deal needs the approval of the DTI, Oftel, the telecoms watchdog, and the Independent Television Commission.

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Taiwan jet talks go on

JOHN Cahill, the British Aerospace chairman, yesterday resumed talks in Taipei aimed at reviving BAe's joint venture with Taiwan Aerospace in regional jets, as officials played down suggestions that the company might turn to Indonesia instead.

Although acknowledging exploratory discussions with IPTN, the Indonesian state aircraft maker, a BAe spokesman insisted these were no different to talks undertaken with virtually every other regional aircraft producer.

BAe is keen to encourage a global rationalisation of capacity in both turbo props and regional jets.

Hunt given coal brief

NEIL Clarke, the British Coal chairman, met David Hunt, the employment secretary, yesterday to brief him on the impending loss of up to 20,000 coal industry jobs after the new round of colliery closures.

Mr Clarke is believed to have indicated British Coal hopes to complete many of the cutbacks within six months.

The discussions were designed to avoid a repeat of the row last October when British Coal failed to meet the obligation on all employers to inform the Employment department when more than 100 redundancies are imminent, even though it planned to shed 30,000 mineworkers.

City rushes to raise capital for Lloyd's

BY JON ASHWORTH

THE drive to raise fresh capital for Lloyd's of London began in earnest yesterday. City institutions scrambled to raise more than £1 billion in underwriting funds.

At a landmark meeting on Wednesday, names supported the introduction of corporate capital to complement that provided by themselves — the traditional Lloyd's source — by a margin of more than 20 to one. The outcome was greeted with disappointment by dissident names, who had been pressing for the vote on the issue to be postponed.

London Insurance Market Investment Trust (Limit) announced plans to raise between £280 million and £300 million to support underwriting business totalling almost £500 million with Lloyd's syndicates next year.

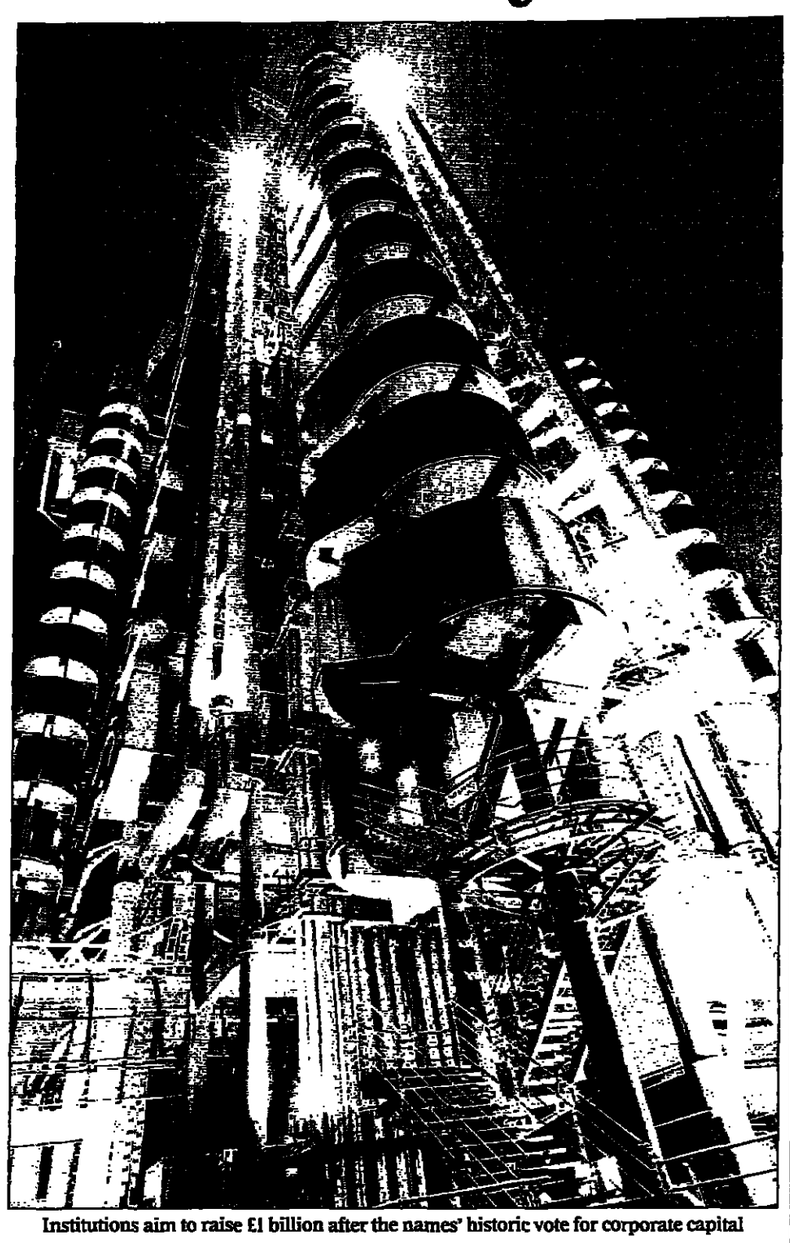
Limit, a joint venture by Samuel Montagu and James Capel, issued its pathfinder prospectus. It said binding commitments had been given to provide about £480 million of underwriting capacity to 98 syndicates for 1994.

The minimum investment is £1,000. About 25 per cent of the shares, to be listed through a placing and offer for subscription, will be available to the public. Jonathan Agnew, Limit's chairman, said changes to the financial structure at Lloyd's represented a chance for investors who, unlike names, would be able to participate in Lloyd's with limited liability. The offer closes on November 11. Dealings begin on November 19.

CLM Insurance Fund, backed by Sedgwick and BZW, is seeking up to £200 million. New London Capital (NLC), backed by SG Warburg, Chartwell Advisers and Mercury Asset Management, has issued its pathfinder prospectus to institutional investors. It aims to raise up to £150 million via a placing.

HCG Lloyd's Investment Trust, to be launched via a placing sponsored by UBS, has raised about £100 million of underwriting capacity; its target is £127 million. Listing particulars will be published on October 26.

Andrew Smithers, chairman of Angerstein Underwriting Trust, backed by NatWest Markets and Stace Barr Underwriting Agencies, said conditions were favourable for investors. He said: "It is very important for the future of Lloyd's that new capital should be raised at the right time and with the protection of limited liability." Angerstein seeks up to £75 million.



Institutions aim to raise £1 billion after the names' historic vote for corporate capital

Nelson Lloyd's Trust, from Octavian Group, backed by Lazard Brothers, Cazenove and Henderson Touche Remnant Investment Trust Management, has an initial target of £60 million.

The Delian Lloyd's Investment Trust is seeking to raise £50 million through a placing by Hill Samuel Bank. Delian will be advised on its underwriting by RFKershaw, a members' agent. Panmure Gordon is the broker. Other issues come from Masthead Insurance Underwriting, backed by Murray Lawrence, Hambros Bank and Hoare Govett; and Murray Underwriting, from Murray Johnstone and Willis, Faber & Dumas. Each has a target of £50 million.

Fenchurch Investment Trust, Syndicate Capital Trust, Premium Underwriting and Finsbury Underwriting Investment Trust are each seeking about £30 million. Hiscox Select Insurance Fund, backed by Charterhouse Tilney and Roberts & Hiscox, has a target of £28.9 million.

The Johnson Fry Corporate Insurance Recovery Trust, sponsored by Allied Provincial Securities, is seeking to raise between £15 million and £50 million. David Heron is chairman. The minimum subscription is £3,000. Corporate Membership, backed by Peel Hunt, is aiming for £8 million to £20 million.

Further issues are expected to follow.

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Bankers welcome ruling on loans

BY SARA MCCONNELL
PERSONAL FINANCE CORRESPONDENT

A HOUSE of Lords ruling making clear that banks have only a limited duty of care to clients who act as guarantors for other people's loans has been welcomed by bankers.

Five law lords ruled yesterday that banks will be liable in future only if it can be proved that a guarantor was under "undue influence" from a husband, a wife or a partner to sign the guarantee and the bank knew of such influence. Even then, banks will be able to defeat a claim if able to show that they acted "reasonably", arranging private meetings with customers and telling them to seek legal advice before signing.

Barclays lost its six-year battle to repossess the home of Bridget O'Brien, who had signed papers allowing a business overdraft to her husband to be guaranteed on the family home and then faced repossession when the business collapsed. Mrs O'Brien claimed that she had received no explanation of the loan and had been led to believe that it was for £60,000 instead of £135,000.

Lords Templeman, Lowry, Browne-Wilkinson, Slynn and Woolf ruled that Mrs O'Brien had been subjected to undue influence and that Barclays had not taken adequate steps to make sure that her agreement had been properly obtained.

However, the bank said: "We warmly welcome the House of Lords decision, which will end a period of uncertainty for some of our customers when they give security for a loan. Customers and, of course, lenders now know where they stand."

Barclays said that it did not expect the ruling to affect most of its existing guarantor arrangements. It is in dispute with clients in about ten cases involving loans or overdrafts guaranteed on family homes.

The British Bankers' Association (BBA) said: "This gives peace of mind to lenders, borrowers and guarantors alike." Since March 1992, banks and building societies have been bound by the Code of Banking Practice, which says that banks must explain guarantors' rights clearly to them. This includes ensuring that they seek independent legal advice, the BBA said.

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BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Lottery will be 'new way of life for British public'

GERRY Robinson, chairman of The Great British Lottery Company, predicted yesterday that enactment yesterday of the national lottery bill "heralds a new way of life for the great British public". Mr Robinson, chief executive of Granada, a key member of the consortium, said: "More people will watch the Saturday night lottery draw than the 19.5 million who watch *Coronation Street*". The consortium, which consists of Granada and Vodafone, each with 35 per cent, and Hambros Bank, Associated Newspapers and Carlton Communications, had begun work in 1990. Mr Robinson said.

Peter Davis, who is set to become director-general of the lottery, is expected to invite would-be operators to submit tenders later this year. By then, Mr Robinson's consortium will, he estimates, have spent some £3 million on preparing its case. It is understood to have held talks with major retailers. The potential turnover is £4 billion a year.

Second restructuring

LONDON & Metropolitan, the troubled property group, has reached conditional agreement with its bankers on its second financial restructuring in three years. The banks, led by Bank of Scotland, have agreed to convert £29.8 million of outstanding debt into new ordinary shares, which will give them 75 per cent of the equity. A further £31.7 million of debt will also be converted into non-recourse facilities. London & Metropolitan revealed pre-tax losses of £3.4 million, down from £4.4 million, for the six months to June 30.

Shipping group expands

BRISTOL Channel Ship Repairers is to be expanded into an integrated international shipping group after a reverse takeover by Andreas Ugland, the Norwegian shipping businessman. BCSR is to acquire various shipping assets of the Ugland group for an aggregate cash consideration of £16.1 million and will then change its name to Ugland International. BCSR will fund the acquisitions via a one-for-four rights issue at 100p, which will raise £18.8 million net. The group plans a final dividend in the year to the end of next March.

Ferguson pegs payout

FERGUSON International Holdings, the industrial holding company, said the economic climate in its main markets continued to be difficult, with no reliable sign of a substantial upturn in consumer spending. However, it believes the worst of the recession in Britain and America is over and expects to make further progress in the second half. Ferguson is maintaining the interim dividend at 4.25p a share. In the six months to end-August, pre-tax profits rose to £5.2 million from £4.7 million. Earnings were 10.4p a share, up from 9.3p.

BR telecoms sale in 1994

BRITISH Rail Telecommunications (BRT), the telecommunications arm of British Rail, is to be privatised next year, John MacGregor, the transport secretary, announced yesterday. BRT, which has a 15,000-kilometre network linking cities across the country, is expected to have turnover of £150 million this year. Spare capacity could allow it to link its trackside lines to homes and offices to rival BT and Mercury. BRT's attempts to form ventures with Singapore Telecom, and with MCI and Sprint West, of the US, have so far failed.

Chesterfield advances

CHESTERFIELD Properties increased interim pre-tax profits through the sale of properties and a much-reduced interest bill. The group made £3.4 million by selling investment properties and its interest bill was cut to £5.1 million (£9.8 million), producing pre-tax profits of £7.8 million (£3.4 million). Overall operating profits, however, fell from £13.2 million to £9.6 million. Earnings per share rose sharply, from 5.48p to 20.30p, and the interim dividend is being increased to 4p (3.5p).

WPP sells stake in US

WPP GROUP, the debt-burdened advertising company, has sold its indirectly-owned 64 per cent interest in Fallon McElligott, a Minneapolis advertising agency, for $14.6 million, $10 million in cash and the rest as an interest-bearing note repayable over five years. More may become payable if a significant shareholding in Fallon is resold later. WPP owns 80 per cent of Scali, McCabe, Sloves, the United States agency which has 80 per cent of Fallon, and it is hoped this can also be sold shortly.

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AT&T earnings rise

AT&T, the American telecommunications group, lifted third-quarter profits by 11 per cent. It earned $1.07 billion, compared with $963 million in the third quarter of 1992. Sales revenue rose from $16.18 billion to $16.66 billion. In the first nine months of the year, AT&T reported a net loss of $3.53 billion, compared with earnings of $2.81 billion in the same period last year. The 1993 loss is due to accounting changes related to post-retirement benefits. Excluding the changes, profits were up 11 per cent, to $3.11 billion.

Safeland in cash call

SAFELAND, the property trading and investment company, launched a one-for-three rights issue at 28p a share to raise £1.58 million, which will be used to make further property acquisitions and bolster the balance sheet. Because of the cash call, the ruling Lipman family is understood to have reduced its shareholding from 66 to 51 per cent. In the six months to end-September, pre-tax profits rose to £345,000 from £36,000, while earnings moved ahead to 1.25p a share from 0.13p. The interim dividend rises to 0.6p a share from 0.06p last time.

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Go-ahead for first west coast oilfield

BY ROSS TIEMAN, INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

APPROVAL for the development of the Liverpool Bay oilfield, the first to go into production west of Britain, was granted by Tim Eggar, energy minister, yesterday. The £1 billion project is expected to provide jobs for 3,600 people, many on Merseyside and in North Wales, during the three-year development.

Ed Blair, president of Hamilton Oil, the operating company, said while oil and gas fields off the west coast of Britain were unlikely to equal the North Sea fields in size and importance, they could none the less make a "useful contribution" to production.

British Gas already operates a substantial gas field in Morecambe Bay, further north, but the Hamilton development will be the first to produce offshore oil on the west coast.

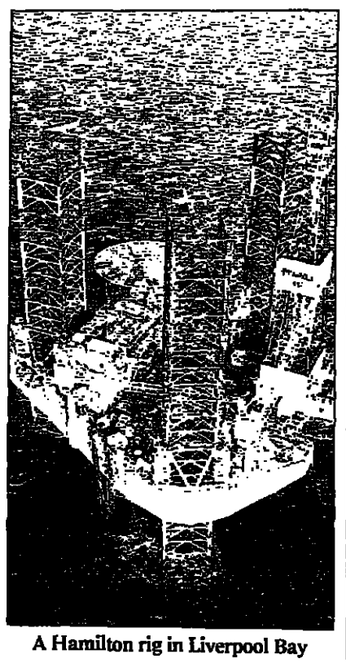
Exploitation of the three fields in the first phase, Douglas, Hamilton and Hamilton North will require installation of five platforms in 100 ft of water. A central production and accommodation complex of three platforms will be installed at the Douglas field.

Remote-controlled satellite production rigs, controlled from the Douglas complex, will feed oil and gas from Hamilton and Hamilton North to the Douglas production centre for processing. Gas will be piped ashore to a receiving station at Point of Ayr on the north Wales coast. Oil will be transferred to ships for delivery to refineries in Britain or continental Europe.

Hamilton, part of Broken Hill Proprietary, the Australian minerals group, has already acquired the Morecambe Flame jack-up rig from British Gas. Mr Blair said he hoped to place the first contracts relating to the development programme, including a contract for conversion of the former British Gas rig into an accommodation and utility unit, within weeks.

Development plans for Lennox, a fourth oil and gas field in the complex, are well advanced, and are expected to be implemented when consent is received. Because it has a high concentration of impurities the Liverpool Bay gas, known as "sour" gas, is to be burned in a power station to be constructed at Connah's Quay in north Wales by PowerGen, the electricity generator.

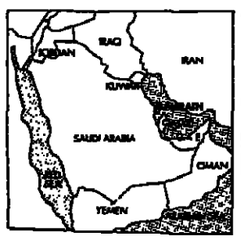
Total gas reserves in the Hamilton, Hamilton North and Lennox fields are estimated to be 1.2 trillion cu ft. Oil reserves are estimated at 150 million to 200 million barrels. With Brent crude now fetching more than $17 per barrel, that suggests the oil reserves alone could be worth £2.3 billion.



A Hamilton rig in Liverpool Bay

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☐ The Bundesbank springs a pleasant surprise ☐ Invergordon's independence was doomed ☐ Lords rule against Barclays

Good news from the front

☐ CONGRATULATIONS to Hans Tietmeyer. His first significant act as Bundesbank president has neatly dished currency speculators, making him instantly the players' choice for central bank manager of the month. Hedge funds had been putting pressure on francs of various hues, assuming the Bundesbank would sit tight, and duly fell for Wednesday's feint when Buba's 0.03 point cut in the repo rate seemed to rule out anything dramatic yesterday. Herr Tietmeyer will find it harder to repeat this trick next time — and there surely will be a next time — but it is a good start.

By far the greatest significance for Britain of the half-point cut in Germany's discount rate is in helping flattened continental economies, whose recession is blunting our own recovery. Even after the demise of the Maastricht-model ERM, many continental countries are still playing by the old rules and waiting for the Germans, even though Germany has one of the higher inflation rates. Both inflation and money growth do, however, now seem under control after the unification shock. Once the Bundesbank council is fully convinced of that, it could resume its old courageous ways of cutting rates as aggressively when needed as it is prepared to raise them. Entrenched inflation remains too high in Europe to justify cutting to American, let alone Japanese, levels of short-term interest rates. Rates in France and Germany could still fall to 4 per cent in months rather than years.

That would probably do more good to the British economy than any monetary action at home. After the long and ill-managed slide from 15 per cent, lower base rates have lost their power to jolt the British economy into action like some Frankenstein monster. Nor are short-term rates here restrictive, in the sense that they are well below long-term rates. That is no reason to keep base rates higher than they need be.

There are two more positive reasons for domestic cuts. The first aim has been to get sterling moving down again to restart the devaluation boost to exports. That argument did not depend on the attitudes of the Bundesbank, except that there were powerful forces ranged against it, including the Bank of England. Action to stop sterling appreciating against falling continental currencies is much easier to justify, indeed hard to resist, as a stabilising influence.

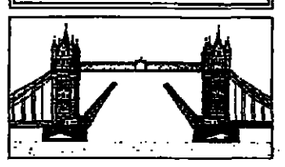
The second positive argument for rate cuts is to counter tighter fiscal policy by stimulating the housing market. That is why we are waiting, giving John Smith good ammunition to argue that help is being delayed until the Budget for political convenience. He has a point, but the lesson of the past has been that rate cuts have been dribbled out, losing pychological impact. If the Chancellor is to wait for five weeks, he will need to hand a substantial cut from his battered box to justify the delay.

A dirk between the shoulderblades

☐ THE die may have been cast for Invergordon Distillers yesterday, but, in reality, the game was up in 1991 when Whyte & Mackay, the UK spirit offshoot of American Brands, bowed out of its abortive £350 million takeover bid with a commanding 41 per cent stake.

Invergordon's board, spearheaded by Chris Greig, the

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managing director, is doubtless nursing a few choice epithets over Robert Fleming Investment Management's decision to deliver the company lock, stock and barrel to the Jim Beam camp (bearing in mind the irony that Fleming's merchant banking arm is Invergordon's long-standing financial adviser), but epithets are no substitute for a 54.7 per cent stake.

The bewitching hour seems to have been a little after midnight on Wednesday, when Fleming's investment gurus, flanked by advisers from SG Warburg (the mortar in Fleming's Chinese walls, so to speak) sat across from Kleinwort Benson's team and finally saw the light — reputedly in the shape of an extra 5p that effectively raised the offer for Fleming's 13.5 per cent stake to 300p.

Invergordon, in spite of being faced with an effective *fait accompli*, has advised shareholders to take no action pending discussions with Whyte & Mackay, which, as of last night, was still hopeful of achieving a recommended offer.

Back in 1991, Whyte & Mackay originally bid a "very generous" 225p, which, after being seen as mean by all-comers, was raised to an "exceptionally generous" 275p. A price of 300p — indicating a prospective exit multiple of 19.4 — has finally done the trick, valuing Scotland's largest independent producer of Scotch whisky at £382 million.

This compares with Greig's original £93 million management buyout of Invergordon from Hawker Siddeley in 1988 and a subsequent £171 million flotation in 1990.

In the event, a host of Scottish institutions, embracing Ivory & Sime, Scottish Life and Scottish Mutual accepted Whyte & Mackay's shilling last time round, as did not a few of Invergordon's workforce.

Earlier this year, bid speculation raised Invergordon shares to 323p, but a mid-year pre-tax profit setback, from £14.3 million to £11.3 million, in the wake of record 1992 pre-tax profits of £32.5 million, took its toll, as did analysts' profit downgrades.

It was against this background that Fleming, before calling in Warburg, put out feelers to Whyte & Mackay. Bad for Invergordon, controversial for Robert Fleming.

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☐ NO WONDER Barclays was so keen to go as far as the appeal system could take it over the O'Brien case, which revolved around whether security signed for a spouse's loan was valid when the wife who signed it did not know what she had let herself in for. Judging by the calls coming into this office, the fate of many a family home — and also divorce settlement — rested on the Lords' judgment. Many sad cases will be relieved and the odd chancer will find some profit from reading the small print, or lack of it.

Barclays lost, doubtless to widespread acclaim, given its present unhappy image, because it did not follow its own procedures to advise Mrs O'Brien of the consequences of signing surety and to advise her to take independent advice. Now that such common sense processes are enshrined in codes of conduct, banks probably take them more seriously. They certainly will now.

Private individuals and directors should not, however, sigh with relief thinking this resolves the unforeseen perils of sureties in any more general sense. In particular, banks have an ingrained habit of relying on possession being nine points of the law. Security, once lodged, is therefore likely to be used for purposes far different from those originally intended.

Bankers should again be prompted to take more care in lending. If the O'Brien judgment provides a costly lesson for banks, however, it should also provide a timely one for their customers and their customers' friends and relatives. When signing sureties or lodging security, they should make sure the guarantee is limited to what they had in mind. Care over the formalities works both ways.

Vegetable and fruit prices hit Albert Fisher

BY SUSAN GILCHRIST

CONTINUING depressed fruit and vegetable prices, both in Europe and North America, squeezed profitability at Albert Fisher, the food group.

Although pre-tax profits rose from £25.9 million to £31.5 million for the year to August 31, last year's figure was depressed by an abnormally large exceptional item. Net operating income on continuing businesses fell from £54.4 million to £49.5 million.

The share price slipped 5p to 75p at yesterday's close.

Stephen Walls, Albert Fisher's chairman, said it had been a difficult year with record harvests creating an over-supply of fresh produce. Many produce prices remained below last year's levels putting pressure on margins. But Mr Walls was confident that group strategy to build dominant market share in key value-added product sectors would ensure profits growth.

Operating profits in the European food processing division fell from £28.4 million to £21.5 million. About £5 million of the decline was attributable to Mondi Foods, the frozen fruit and concentrate business, which suffered from a glut of apples as well as political changes in Eastern Europe, where it had been a large supplier to the old regime of state monopolies.

The European fresh produce business was also hit by oversupply, with operating profits down from £7.5 million to £6.4 million, despite a £2 million second-half contribution from Hunter Saphir, the fresh food business acquired this year. The group is more optimistic about the current year with evidence of firmer produce prices and further benefits from the integration of Hunter Saphir to come.

A strong performance from the group's cockles and mussels business helped push profits from the seafood division up from £7.7 million to £10 million. Synergy benefits, particularly in sourcing and selling, also boosted the bottom line.

In North America, operating profits rose from £10.8 million to £11.6 million although the signs of recovery witnessed earlier in the year were not consistently sustained in the second half. Some of the group's important regional markets, such as California, remain in the grip of recession.

Mr Walls said acquisitions were still on the agenda to strengthen market positions in existing businesses. With the disposal of Grossman Paper, Hunter Saphir's herbs and spices business, and Unimerchants during the year, he said divestment is now largely complete. The flotation of Charles Sidney, the Mercedes dealership, is due to take place next month.

The final dividend is maintained at 1.9p making a total for the year of 3.75p (3.75p).



Walls: confident

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Aer Lingus flies into £180m loss

FROM A CORRESPONDENT IN DUBLIN

AER Lingus, the Irish Republic's state-owned airline, incurred a loss of IrE188 million (£180 million) after tax in the year to end-March, compared with a loss of IrE11.8 million. The loss included IrE99.9 million for restructuring costs, trading losses of IrE43.9 million and IrE44.7 million for the airline's investment in GPA, the aircraft leasing company.

Additional GPA-related adjustments mean that a total of IrE113.5 million was wiped off shareholders' funds because of Aer Lingus's investment in the stricken lessor. Debts of IrE522 million and shareholders' funds of IrE93 million mean gearing of 533 per cent. A year earlier, the airline had funds of IrE360 million and debts of IrE426 million.

Bernie Cahill, executive chairman, says that the company's position is unsustainable. If it is to survive it needs equity investment. The European Commission is studying proposals from the Irish government, which is prepared to put in IrE175 million if Aer Lingus unions agree to a swingeing cost-cutting plan.

British Midland, CityFlyer and Ryanair have asked the EC to ensure that any equity injection is not used to pitch fares at unsustainable levels. Besides the government's IrE175 million, Aer Lingus will finance its restructuring by selling non-airline assets, such as the Copthorne Hotel chain in the UK, which made an operating profit of IrE7.9 million.

Mr Cahill said that the period had been "the most traumatic in the 57-year history of Aer Lingus".

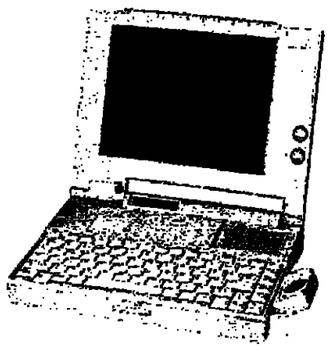
Aer Lingus had an operating profit of IrE762,000, down from IrE15.6 million. Interest payable was IrE57.4 million, up from IrE48.5 million.

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STOCK MARKET

Rate cut euphoria fuels record close

THE stock market continued to scale new heights, with shares extending recent gains as interest rate euphoria returned to the Square Mile after the reduction in key German interest rates.

Stronger futures again lifted the cash market, but conditions were "squeezy" with share prices pushed higher as investors scrambled for any available stock in thin conditions. Dealers feel the Bundesbank's 50 basis point cut has paved the way for at least a similar cut in the UK before next month's Budget.

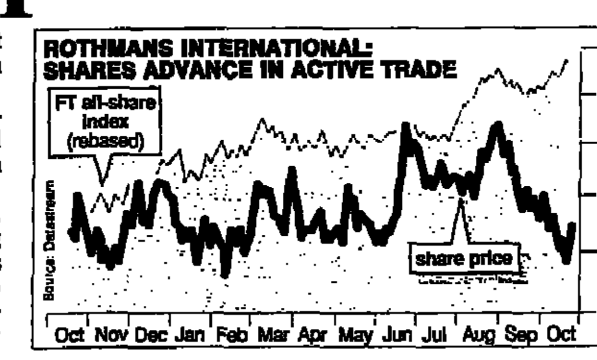
But the pattern was mixed as dealers pondered where share prices go from here. The FT-SE 100 index finished at its best level, closing up 32 points at a new record of 3,188.3, also representing a new intra-day trading high. *Second-liners saw more modest gains, with the broader based FT-SE Mid 250 ahead 19.1 to 3,526.2. The latest advance added £5.98 billion to share values.*

Volume, bolstered by basket trades and continued overseas demand, reached an active 745.6 million shares.

In a firmer banks sector, reflecting hopes for an easing of UK interest rates, **Barclays** added 10p to 572p, **Lloyds**, 2p to 575p, **National Westminster**, 11p to 573p, **Abbey National**, 3p to 421p and **TSB**, 2p to 220p.

Among the internationals, **Unilever** rose 18p to £11.50, boosted by a combination of currency factors, strong support from American, Dutch and British investors and a more favourable outlook for brand valuations.

Rothmans International, the cigarettes to luxury goods group due to be restructured *into two separate companies* from next week, stood out as its B shares advanced 24p to



621p, on heavy volume of 19 million. New shares in Rothmans and Vendome will no longer be included in stock market indices. Dealers reported some big lines of stock, with the sizable volume said to reflect switching out of the stock by index-tracking funds, although growth funds were said to be moving in before Monday's split.

Pharmaceutical shares continued to shine, with advances fuelled by optimistic statements from this week's inter-science conference in New Orleans and strong demand from US investors.

Wellcome jumped 36½p to 823p, helped by American demand and encouraging results on the likely benefits from valaciclovir, the new anti-herpes drug currently in clinical trials that is to be a follow-up to the best-selling *Zovirax. Elsewhere,* **Glaxo** rose 23p to 723p, **SmithKline Beecham A**, 12½p to 434½p, and **Zeneca**, 4½p to 783½p. **ICI** continued to slide early on as *Kleinwort Benson, the* broker, followed rival James Capel's move and reiterated its sell stance on the group, but the shares recovered to close unchanged at 709p.

There were gains for prospective beneficiaries of the German rate cut, with **Blue Circle** ahead 10p to 300p, **RMC Group** 16p higher at 838p and **Redland** 10p stronger at 555p.

The possibility that Manchester United could miss out on lucrative European cup play-offs after a poor performance at Old Trafford on Wednesday gave the football club shares an own goal, *sliding 22p to 560p.*

Parkland Textiles ordinary shares surged 105p to 365p and its A shares leapt *48p to 221p after the group* accompanied a return to profits and increased dividend with plans to enfranchise its non-voting A shares.

Inchcape *was a weak feature*, sliding 18p to 512p, with James Capel said to have cut its 1993 profits forecast from *£278 million to £265 million.*

Invergordon, one of Scotland's biggest independent whisky producers, climbed 3p to 297p on the news that Whyte & Mackay now has a controlling 54.7 per cent stake in the group and is offering holders who have not already sold a final 300p for each Invergordon share, valuing the group at £382.4 million.

☐ **GILT-EDGED**: Gilts had a mixed day but there were modest gains for shorts, though longs lost some ground. *The December series* of the long gilt future added four ticks to £115 17/32, on an active volume of 72,000 contracts.

PHILIP PANGALOS



ANTHONY HARRIS

Danger when Leviathans blow bubbles

One of the apparent *mysteries of finance* is why the Japanese, so competent in nearly everything they attempt, are so *consistently the mugs in* investment. They are forever blowing bubbles: everything they inflate bursts. They *financed the* Reagan deficits with huge purchases of US bonds; the dollar collapsed. They bought up California, and that state went into depression. They piled into their own stock market, and it fell by half; and into their own land values, which are still in free fall.

This phenomenon is not much discussed, partly out of good manners but mainly because the explanation, once you *think* of it, is so obvious: the Japanese are, to change the metaphor, an elephant in a rowing boat.

The Tokyo market is so huge — accounting at its peak for more than 40 per *cent of total world values* — and the flow of Japanese savings so large that any concerted Japanese move is *bound to throw the markets* out of kilter. Given the Japanese taste for fashionable investment themes, *overweight becomes a fatal* health risk. Whenever Tokyo shifts in a crowd to one side of the boat, it heels over till it is shipping water.

This has, until recently, been good news for investors everywhere else. Volatile markets need mugs to absorb the losses. However, the Japanese are not the only investment community to show rather naive behaviour patterns. British pension fund managers have often been accused of sheep-like behaviour as they strive to match the average quarterly fund performance; and the small investors who buy unit trusts make the fund managers look sophisticated. Sales figures show that the higher the market rises, the more eagerly they buy units.

There are limits: unit sales usually slow down some way ahead of the final market peak: but there are still more buyers than sellers right to the end. Hence the market's self-flattering belief that it is fairly safe to chase values up, because there is always a comfortable interval in which *professionals can sell* to mugs. This belief is itself a source of instability.

As long as unit trusts are *more or less a sideshow, this* pattern is no cause for alarm. Unit trust holders normally get good management, *sometimes very good, and in* recent years they have made a lot of money even when their market timing was badly wrong. However, if the trusts grow to the point where they are the new elephant in the rowing boat, it is time to wonder. In Britain the movement is large, holding shares worth some £76 billion, but not overwhelming; in America, the authorities are now getting worried enough to devote a whole session of the recent central bankers' meeting in Jackson Hole, Wyoming, to the subject.

Dr Franklin Edwards, of Columbia University, had already done a study of the regulatory issues involved in *mutual fund growth for the* Investment Company Institute. They were horrified by his proposals — basically to *let banks compete with the* mutual fund managers — and suppressed his report; but fact cannot be censored, *and he put them before the* central bankers. They are quite startling.

Mutual funds alone have *now grown to $1,300 billion,* nearly a fifth of total household liquid assets and nearly half the value of bank and *savings deposits.* They are growing explosively, and could overtake the banks in three or four years.

This is a headache for central bankers, who see personal wealth slipping steadily outside the system they control. For the markets it *is* a dream now, as the growing funds bid up values worldwide. But it could turn to a nightmare. If the Japanese add up to an elephant, the mutual funds (unit trusts, in British English) are a potential Leviathan. They make markets, and can unmake them. *It is* as if everyone held money in an illiquid bank, whose ability to pay out depended on keeping deposits growing. Any attempt to cash in could quickly turn to panic.

The trouble is that the funds are what Dr Henry Kaufman calls see-through institutions: they helplessly mirror the wishes of unit holders. The one safety net is in the derivatives market, which is itself suspect: fund managers can provide against a rush of realisations in the futures market. If their hedging checks the bull run, the system would be self-stabilising; but will they, and could the derivatives market provide reliable cover on this scale? As the Japanese have discovered, the hardest trick in finance is to deflate a bubble gently.

Parkland extends the vote

Parkland Textile, the yarn and worsted cloth maker, is to enfranchise A shares. Ordinary shareholders will receive a scrip issue of four extra ordinary shares for every five held to make up for dilution of voting rights. The company *proposes to call itself Parkland* Group, to reflect the changes.

Parkland announced profit of £970,000 for the half year to *August 27, against a £309,000* pre-tax loss last time. Turnover grew from £23.5 million to £27.1 million after a big rise *in exports. The interim dividend* is 2p (1p).

Selling discontinued businesses helped to cut gearing from 43 per cent to 26 per cent.

Jarvis cuts loss

Jarvis, the construction-to-property group, cut interim loss to £630,000, from £1.7 million, in the first six months of 1993, helped by the reduction of capacity. It says that economic upturn has yet to help building. The fitting-out company did much better. There is, again, no interim dividend after a 2.8p a share loss (8.1p loss).

Air London dips

A depressed market, including declining use of business jets in the recession, cut profits of Air London International, the air charter broker, by a third to £725,728 (£1.08 million) in the year to end-July. Final dividend is maintained at 1.9p. Earnings are 5.6p a share (8.1p).

Anglo gold up

Anglo-American third-quarter gold mining profit rose by 7.2 per cent to R269.2 million (£54 million). Freegold is to sink a *new shaft for R540 million,* to produce 106 tons over 19 years.



James Frost, chairman of The Frost Group, who is aiming to pump up businesss

Frost calls for expansion cash

BY COLIN CAMPBELL

THE Frost Group, the independent petrol retailer that went public two years ago this month, is raising £21.3 million net by way of a one-for-five rights issue at 187p.

James Frost, the chairman, said that the group came to market with 79 petrol retailing sites. It now owns 170 petrol stations throughout England and Wales.

In the past two years, it has spent £26.5 million on site acquisitions and redevelopments, and expects by *year-end to have spent* a further £6.1 million, making a total invested of £32.6 million. He said that the group could achieve its target of 250 sites on schedule from cash flows and with the use of banking facilities. However, raising funds though a rights issue now would give greater flexibility in negotiating margins.

A stronger balance sheet would also enable the group to take advantage of the many expansion opportunities that would become increasingly evident.

As reported on September 7, Frost's 1993 interim net earnings rose by 23 per cent in a competitive market. Trading since then had continued in line with budget, Mr Frost said.

The group said: "With the increases in new car registrations announced during the year, the reduction in unemployment and other signs that the economy is no longer in decline, the board anticipates that the total combined UK market for sales of petrol and diesel will increase through next year and beyond."

The rights issue has been fully underwritten by Credit Lyonnais Laing.

WORLD MARKETS

Dow loses early gains by midday

New York — *Shares lost their opening gains when weakness in the bond market spread into the stock market, traders and analysts said. The Dow* Jones industrial average was down 5.86 points to 3,639.24 at the mid point of the trading session.

☐ **Tokyo** — The market finished mixed on slim turnover with investors sidelined awaiting half-year corporate earnings results to September 30. The Nikkei average was up 6.00 points to 20,179.42.

☐ **Hong Kong** — Shares ended lower after profit-taking erased an early surge. The Hang Seng index lost 20.12 points to close at 8,882.68.

☐ **Singapore** — The market was firmer on index-linked buying. The Straits Times industrials index closed 8.45 points up at 2,104.29.

☐ **Frankfurt** — The DAX index fell 10.38 points to 2,032.18, before the Bundesbank rate cuts. *(Reuter)*

MARKETS AT A GLANCE

THE POUND

US $	1.4865 (-0.0020)
German mark	2.4661 (+0.0136)
Exchange index	80.2 (+0.3)

Bank of England official close (4pm)

STOCK MARKET

FT-SE 100	3188.3 (+32.0)
Dow Jones	3639.24 (-5.86)*
Nikkei Avge	20179.42 (+6.00)

INTEREST RATES

London Bank Base	6%
3-month Interbank	5¾-5⅝%
US Federal Funds	2⅞%*
3-month Treas Bills	3.05-3.04%*
Long Bond	5.89%*

CURRENCIES

New York:		London:	
£:$	1.4865*	£:$	1.4887
$:DM	1.6632*	£:DM	2.4697
$:SWfr	1.4680*	£:SWfr	2.1794
$:FFr	5.8405*	£:FFr	8.6833
$:Yen	108.28*	£:Yen	161.07
£:SDR	1.0614	£:ECU	1.2925

London Forex market close

GOLD

London Fixing ($):

AM 371.55	PM 374.50
Close	373.00-373.50
New York:	
Comex	374.75-375.25*

RETAIL PRICES

RPI 141.9 Sept (1.8%) Jan 1987=100

* Denotes midday trading price

WALL STREET

	Oct 21 midday	Oct 20 close
AMP Inc	61	61
AMR Corp	67	68
Abbott Labs	28	28
Aetna Life	63	63
Ahmanson (HF)	17	17
Air Prod & Chem	40	40
Albertson's	25	29
Alcan Aluminium	20	20
Alco Standard	45	45
Allied Signal	71	71
Alum Co of Am	67	68
Amax	22	22
Amerada Hess	52	52
Amer Brands	33	33
Amer Cyanamid	57	57
Amer El Power	39	39
Amer Express	34	34
Amer Genl Corp	31	31
Amer Home Pr	62	62
Amer Intl	90	89
Amer Stores	41	40
Amer T & T	59	60
Ameritech	85	85
Amoco	56	56
Anheuser-Busch	48	48
Apple Computer	29	27
Archer Daniels	22	22
Arkla	8	8
Armco	5	5
Armstrng Wrld	43	43
Asarco	17	17
Ashland Oil	34	34
Atl Richfield	111	111
Auto Data Pro	52	52
Avery Dennison	26	26
Avon Products	49	49
Baker Hughes	22	22
Baltim Gas & El	26	26
Banc One	49	39
BankAmerica	43	42
Bank of NY	54	53
Bankers Tr NY	79	78
Barnett Banks	42	42
Bausch & Lomb	51	50
Baxter Intl	22	22
Becton Dickinson	36	36
Bell Atlantic	64	64
BellSouth	62	62
Black & Decker	19	19
Block (H&R)	38	39
Boeing	38	36
Boise Cascade	20	20
Borden Inc	17	17
Bristol Myr Sq	58	59
Browning Ferris	21	21
Burlington Nthn	50	50
CBS	[illegible]	[illegible]
CSA Financial	[illegible]	[illegible]
CPC Intl	46	46
CSX	78	77
Campbell Soup	41	40
Can Pacific	16	16
Cap Cities ABC	619	619
Cntl Holdings	41	42
Carolina Pwr	30	30
Caterpillar	84	83
Central & SW	32	32
Champion Intl	29	30
Chase Manhat	34	34
Chemical Bk	41	41
Chevron Corp	96	96
Chrysler	52	52
Chubb Corp	89	89
Cigna Corp	64	64
Citicorp	37	37
Clorox	52	52
Coastal Corp	26	26
Coca Cola	43	44
Colgate-Palmolive	57	57
Columbia Gas	25	25
Commonw Ed	27	27
Compaq Comp	64	64
Comp Ass Intl	33	33
ConAgra	26	26
Cons Edison	30	30
Cons Nat Gas	47	47
Cons Rail	60	60
Cooper Inds	49	49
Corning Inc	28	28
Crown Cork	37	37
Dana Corp	58	58
Dayton Hudson	66	69
Deere	72	72
Delta Air Lines	56	56
Deluxe Corp	35	35
Detroit Edison	33	33
Digital Equip	38	38
Dillard Dept St	37	36
Disney (Walt)	42	42
Dominion Res	48	49
Donnelley (RR)	28	28
Dover Corp	55	55
Dow Chemical	56	56
Dow Jones	36	36
Dresser	22	22
Duke Power	41	41
Dun & Bradstreet	66	66
Du Pont	46	47
Eastman Kodak	57	57
Eaton Corp	51	49

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Emerson Elec	56	55
Engelhard Corp	27	27
Enron Corp	33	32
Entergy Corp	38	36
Ethyl Corp	17	17
Exxon	64	65
FMC Corp	48	49
FPL Group	39	39
Federal Express	67	66
Fed Nat Mtge	79	80
First Chicago	45	45
First Interstate	61	61
First Union Rlty	11	11
Fleet Finl Grp	32	32
Fluor Corp	39	39
Ford Motor	58	58
GTE Corp	39	39
Gannett	51	50
Gap Inc Del	33	32
Gen Dynamics	95	95
Gen Electric	98	98
Gen Mills	63	63
Gen Motors	46	45
Gen Reinsurance	115	114
Gen Signal	33	33
Genuine Parts	37	37
Georgia Pac	62	62
Gillette	61	60
Glaxo ADR	21	21
Goodrich (BF)	43	43
Goodyear Tire	45	45
Grace (WR)	36	35
Gt Atl Pac Tea	25	25
Great Wstn Fin	18	18
Halliburton	34	34
Harcourt General	45	45
Heinz (HJ)	38	38
Hercules	98	98
Hershey Foods	54	53
Hewlett Packard	72	71
Hilton Hotels	47	46
Home Depot	39	38
Homestake Mng	19	19
Honeywell	33	33
Household Intl	37	38
Houston Inds	49	48
Humana	14	14
ITT Corp	92	92
Illinois Tool	38	39
INCO	21	21
Ingersoll Rand	37	37
Inland Steel	30	29
Intel Corp	62	62
IBM	44	42
Intl Flav & Fr	105	107
Intl Paper	61	61
James River Va	21	21
Johnsn & Jhnsn	42	42
K Mart	23	23
Kellogg	55	55
Kerr McGee	51	51
Kimberly-Clark	53	52
Knight Ridder	55	56
Lilly (Eli)	55	56
Limited Inc	22	23
LIN Brdcstng	113	113
Lincoln Nat	42	47
Litton	65	66
Liz Claiborne	18	18
Lockheed Corp	67	67
Louisiana Pac	37	32
MCI Commun	26	27
Marriott Intl	26	26
March & McLen	87	87
Masco Corp	32	29
May Dept St	41	41
Maytag Corp	15	15
McCaw Cellular	54	55
McDonalds	54	54
McDonnell D	96	96
McGraw Hill	70	70
Mead Corp	41	40
Medtronic	74	72
Mellon Bk	56	55
Melville Corp	43	44
Merck Inc	32	32
Merrill Lynch	95	94
Minnesota Mine	105	105
Mobil Corp	82	80
Monsanto	67	67
Morgan (JP)	72	72
Motorola Inc	101	102
Natl Medical	11	11
Natl Semi	19	19
Natl Service Ind	25	25
Natl Intr Inc	24	24
NBD Bancorp	32	32
NY Times A	24	24
Newmont Mng	53	53
Niag Mohawk	21	21
Nike B	47	47
NL Industries	5	5
Nordstrom	35	32
Norfolk Sthrn	66	67
Nthn State Pwr	45	45
Norwest Corp	26	26
Nynex Corp	44	44
Occidental Pet	19	20
Ohio Edison	24	24
Oracle Systems	59	61

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Oryx Energy Co	24	23
Owens Corning	45	45
PNC Financial	28	28
PPG Industries	65	66
Paccar Inc	62	62
Pacificorp	19	19
Pac Enterprises	20	20
Pac Gas & Elect	36	36
Pac Telesis	54	54
Pall Corp	20	20
Panhandle East	23	23
Paramnt Comm	76	75
Parker Hannifin	34	34
Penney (JC)	47	47
Pennzoil	57	57
Pepsico	40	40
Pfizer	64	64
Phelps Dodge	42	43
Philadel Elec	32	32
Philip Morris	52	51
Phillips Pet	32	32
Pitney Bowes	38	39
Polaroid	34	33
Price Co	40	40
Primerica	44	44
Procter & Gmbl	52	52
Pub Serv E & G	34	34
Quaker Oats	71	69
Ralston Purina	37	37
Raychem Corp	38	38
Raytheon	60	61
Reebok Intl	28	28
Reynolds Metals	44	44
Roadway Srvs	61	60
Rockwell Intl	35	35
Rohm & Haas	49	49
Royal Dutch	104	105
Rubbermaid	34	35
Safeco Corp	61	61
St Paul's Cos	91	91
Salomon Inc	44	47
Santa Fe Pac	18	18
Sara Lee Corp	26	26
Scecorp	22	22
Schering Plough	69	70
Schlumberger	63	64
Scott Paper	35	35
Seagram	29	29
Sears Roebuck	58	58
Shell Trans	62	63
Sherwin Wllms	36	35
Skyline Corp	17	17
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In order for creditors to be able to vote, details of their claims must be lodged at 25 New Street Square, London EC4A 3LN, no later than 12.00 noon on 4 November 1993. In addition a form of proxy must be lodged prior to the meeting.
Dated 20/10/93
S. Harrison
Joint Administrative Receiver

FURUSATO (FOODS) LIMITED
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986 that a Meeting of the Creditors will be held at 15 Cavendish Square, London W1M 9DA on 26th October 1993 at 11.30 in the forenoon for the purposes mentioned in Section 100 and 101 of the said Act.
Christopher Guy Adams of C G Adams Associates, 15 Cavendish Square, London W1M 9DA is a person qualified to act as an Insolvency Practitioner in relation to the Company who will, during the period before the day of the Meeting furnish creditors free of charge with such information concerning the Company's affairs as they may reasonably require.
By Order of the Board
S. Furutake, Director

Kenburo Ohno Trading Co. Ltd
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986 that a Meeting of the Creditors of the above-named Company will be held at Torrington House, 47 Holywell Hill, St Albans, Herts, AL1 1HD on the 27th October 1993 at 12 Noon for the purposes mentioned in Sections 100 and 101 of the said Act.
A list of names and addresses of the creditors of the Company will be available for inspection by creditors at 49 London Road, St Albans, Herts AL1 1LJ between the hours of 10.00 am and 4.00 pm on the 25th October 1993 and 26th October 1993.
Dated this 4th October 1993
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
K Ohno, DIRECTOR

No 007900 of 1993
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
CHANCERY DIVISION
IN THE MATTER OF TSB PENSIONS LIMITED
- and -
IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Order of the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) dated 6th October 1993 confirming the reduction of the capital of the above-named Company from £58,000,100 to £21,894,100 divided into 21,894,100 Ordinary Shares of £1 each and the Minute approved by the Court showing with respect to the capital of the Company as altered the several particulars required by the above mentioned Act were registered by the Registrar of Companies on 6th October 1993.
Dated this 22nd day of October 1993
ROWE & MAW
20 Black Friar Lane
London EC4V 6HD
Ref: 209/25120.1
Solicitors for the above named Company

The Insolvency Act 1986
T & S CONTRACTORS LIMITED
(In Liquidation)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Maurice Raymond Dorrington, of Poppleton & Appleby, 4 Charterhouse Square, London, EC1M 6EN, was appointed Liquidator of the said Company by the members and creditors on 8th October 1993.
Dated this 8th day of October 1993
M R Dorrington, Liquidator.

Notice of appointment of liquidator
Voluntary winding up Members
Pursuant to section 109 of the Insolvency Act 1986
Company Number: 1174969. Name of company *Home Counties Alloys Limited.* Nature of business Scrap Metal Dealers. Address of registered office: Trevlot House, 186-192 High Road, Ilford, Essex IG1 4LD. Type of Liquidation: Members Voluntary. Liquidator Richard Andrew Segal, A Segal & Co, Trevlot House, 186-192 High Road, Ilford, Essex IG1 1JQ. Office holder no 002685. Date of appointment: 30 September 1993. By whom appointed: The Members. Date 4 October 1993.

Pool, Lorrimer and Tabberer Limited
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Ranscombe Limited
Merrimill Limited
Roxburgh Knitwear (Scotland) Limited
TAKE NOTICE THAT I, Nigel John Hamilton Smith of Morton Thornton & Co, Torrington House, 47 Holywell Hill, St Albans, Hertfordshire AL1 1HD, was appointed Liquidator of the above companies by resolutions of meetings of the companies' shareholders held on 8th October 1993.
NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that creditors of the above companies *must send details, in writing, of* any claim against the companies to the Liquidator, at the above address, by no later than Friday 19th November 1993, which is the last day for proving claims. The Liquidator also gives notice that he will then make a final distribution to creditors, and any creditor who has not made a claim by the date mentioned will be excluded from the benefit of any such distribution.
The companies are able to pay all its known creditors in full.
DATED this 13th day of October 1993
N J Hamilton Smith, Liquidator

Southern (Farnworth) Ltd
THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a meeting of the creditors of the above named company will be held at the offices of Poppleton & Appleby, 32 High Street, Manchester, M4 1QD on Wednesday 27th October 1993 at 12 o'clock noon for the purposes mentioned in Sections 99, 100 and 101 of the said Act.
Pursuant to Section 98, subsection (2)(a) of the Act, Stephen *James Wainwright of Poppleton* & Appleby, 32 High Street, Manchester, M4 1QD is appointed to act as the Qualified Insolvency Practitioner who will furnish creditors with such information as they may reasonably require.
DATED this 18th day of October 1993
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
G Southern, Director

THE INSOLVENCY RULES 1986
MERLIN DOORS LIMITED
Registered Number: 2805275. Trading Name: Merlin Doors Limited (formerly Harmex Limited). Nature of Business: Kitchen Door Manufacturers. Date of Appointment of Administrative Receiver: 18th October 1993. Name of person appointing Administrative Receiver: Reedham Factors Limited. Administrative Receiver: David Emanuel Merton Mond. (Office Holder Number: 0/002340/01) of Hodgsons, Chartered Accountants, George House, 48 George Street, Manchester M1 4HF

The Insolvency Act 1986
BRADFAST LIMITED
(In Liquidation)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Maurice Raymond Dorrington, of Poppleton & Appleby, 4 Charterhouse Square, London, EC1M 6EN, was *appointed Liquidator of the said* Company by the members and creditors on 7th October 1993.
Dated this 7th day of October 1993.
M R Dorrington, Liquidator

The Insolvency Act 1986
TYROLESE (226) LIMITED
Formerly Great Lengths (UK) Limited
(In Liquidation)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN *that Giles H. Whittome of 19a* Cavendish Square, London, W1M 9AH, was appointed Liquidator of the said Company by the Creditors on 15th October 1993.
Dated this 15th October, 1993.
Giles H Whittome, Liquidator

Transocean Shipping Limited
The Insolvency Act and Rules 1986
In accordance with Rule 4.106 I, B R A Callaghan of Chantrey Vellacott, Russell Square House, 10-12 Russell Square, London, WC1B 5LF give notice that on 13 October 1993 I was appointed Liquidator of Transocean Shipping Limited by resolutions of members and creditors.
Notice is hereby given that the creditors of the above named company which is being voluntarily wound up, are required, on or before 30th November 1993 to send in their full Christian and surnames, their addresses and descriptions, full particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any), to the undersigned B R A Callaghan of Russell Square House, 10-12 Russell Square, London, WC1B 5LF, the Liquidator of the said company, *and if so required by notice in* writing from the said Liquidator are, personally or by their Solicitors, *to come in and prove their* debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution.
Dated 19 October 1993
B R A Callaghan, Liquidator

TO: PIERAIC SAGARI
Take notice that an Action has been commenced against you in the High Court Chancery Division by Mortgage Services Limited of 41 Moorgate, London EC2R 6AE in which the Plaintiff's claim is for:
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(2) the property be sold
(3) an order pursuant to Section 90 of the Law of Property Act 1925 and for the purpose enabling the Plaintiff to carry out such sale that there be created and vested in the Plaintiff a legal term of years for the remainder of the term granted by the lease under which the property is held less the last day thereof
(4) all necessary and consequential directions for the conduct of the said sale including any necessary *order for possession of the* property
(5) an Order that the Defendant do pay to the Plaintiff the sum of £253,430.67 including interest thereon to the date hereof amounting to £40.87 per day until payment
(6) all necessary accounts and inquiries
(7) costs
(8) further or other relief
And that it has been ordered that service of the Originating Summons in the said Action on you be effected by this advertisement
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of Lewis Silkin, 1 Butler Place, Buckingham Gate
London SW1H 0PT
Dated 22nd day of October 1993
Plaintiffs Solicitors

TYROLESE (226) LIMITED
Formerly Great Lengths (UK) Limited
At an Extraordinary General Meeting of the members of the above named Company duly convened and held at 19a Cavendish Square, London, W1M 9AH on 15th October 1993 the following EXTRAORDINARY RESOLUTION was duly passed
"That it has been proved to the satisfaction of this meeting that the Company cannot by reason of *its liabilities, continue its business* and that it is advisable to wind up the same, and accordingly that the Company be wound up voluntarily and that Giles H Whittome of 19a Cavendish Square London, W1M 9AH be and he is hereby nominated Liquidator for the purpose of the winding up."
David Anthony Gold, Director

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Japan is sailing towards an unemployment iceberg

Joanna Pitman reports from Tokyo on the massive overmanning problem that is threatening the country's ethos of job security



Japanese workers may soon be forced to heed Lord Tebbit's dictum

The job of labour minister in Japan has never been quite the bed of thorns it is in Europe or America, where dire unemployment realities and worse predictions cast a permanent gloom over this unenviable office.

In Japan, which has maintained annual unemployment rates that are the envy of the rest of the industrial world (they have never risen above 2.8 per cent since the second world war), labour ministers and their colleagues have barely had to think about unemployment as a domestic political issue, more often luxuriating in labelling it a foreign evil, the Western disease of individualism and slack work ethics.

This autumn, however, they have been forced to change their tone. Japan's official unemployment rate for this year may still appear to be an innocuous 2.5 per cent, but many business figures and economists are acknowledging in public that the real figure is much higher.

Asahi Bank, for example, estimates, in a report out this month, that Japan's true unemployment rate, if "hidden" unemployment is taken into account, is 6.5 per cent. The bank defines hidden unemployment as employees surplus to requirements in times of economic slowdown, many of them white collar middle management workers who are kept on the basic payroll. Sumitomo Life Research Institute estimates corporate Japan is currently supporting 2.5 million hidden unemployed.

The longer Japan's recession continues, Asahi Bank predicts, the greater the likelihood that the hidden unemployed will turn into the genuine unemployed. The dreaded "tap on the shoulder", Japan's answer to America's pink slip, must surely worry, for example, the three 50-year-old men who work at my local bank branch to do nothing more than bow and say "good morning" and "good afternoon" to each customer. There must also be sleepless nights for the four young men who assist the pump attendant at my local petrol station, one to polish the windscreen, another to clean the hub caps, a third to take the money and bring a receipt and a fourth to stop the passing traffic for the customer to pull out into the street.

The system has functioned well this way so far, giving the country a glowing employment record, the product of a mixture of luck and design. Japan has benefited from post-war economic growth rates higher than any other OECD country. They averaged 8.5 per cent in 1955-60, 9.8 per cent in 1960-5, 11.2 per cent in 1965-71 and in 1974-85, in spite of the oil shocks, they still averaged 4.3 per cent. Since then, they have maintained 2 to 3 per cent annual growth until this year, which may register the first zero or negative growth rate in 40 years.

During such periods of high economic growth it was relatively easy for corporate Japan to sustain an image of benevolent paternalism towards its employees, fostering the concept of secure lifetime employment. Ingenious payment systems, typically structured around relatively small fixed wages and supplemented with semi-annual bonuses, overtime pay and other non-cash benefits (which account for up to 27 per cent of total package), have allowed employers to inflate and shrink the benefits portion of employment costs, according to the ups and downs of the business cycle, thereby avoiding lay-offs.

Favourable union-management relations have encouraged pragmatic attitudes among workers who, driven by the prospect of job security, have generally been willing to accept short-term sacrifices. This year's wage rises, for example, were the lowest in 34 years at 1.9 per cent, but unions accepted them like lambs because, according to one car company union leader, "to protest would only damage the recovery prospects of my company and we would all be worse off still".

Japan's unemployment benefits system also acts as a forceful incentive for the jobless to get themselves back into work. Benefits for redundant workers amount to roughly 60 per cent of previous average pay and last for 90 days for those under the age of 30 and up to a maximum of eight months for older workers. Proof of an ongoing job search is required to collect unemployment pay. The government's unemployment welfare bill has risen more than 24 per cent in the past year and will rise another 10 per cent this year to Y1 trillion (£6 billion).

For more than 40 years, corporate Japan has, through judicious long-sighted planning, maximised the advantages of a high economic growth rate by establishing an employment system that has been sufficiently durable and reliable to tide Japan over the world recessions of the 1970s and the domestic slowdown of the mid-1980s.

This time, however, the recession is different and far more serious, Japanese economists claim. The current three-year slump has lasted longer and damaged consumer confidence more deeply, they say, than any since the war, and when combined with the over-valued yen, it is pushing corporate Japan to the point where it can no longer afford to cushion excess workers for the sake of a nebulous concept of employment loyalty.

While employers search in vain for tangible signs of economic improvement, the government's preventative measures have so far helped companies stave off mass layoffs. By last month, 180 industries were entitled to employment subsidies whereby the government contributes to payrolls. About 3.6 million workers are currently covered under this system, which is costing Y75 billion a year.

Manufacturing companies have invested their own dwindling resources in order to avoid the kind of large-scale layoffs that would damage the social contract and the psychological concept of lifetime employment. They have offloaded workers where possible to affiliates or subsidiaries, offered early retirement incentives, increased paid holidays, cut down overtime and part-time work and reduced their intake of new recruits.

How long they can hang on without an improvement in the economy, is the big question. Leading companies have begun warning that they may have to start taking drastic action next year.

Fujitsu, the computer manufacturer, for example, predicts it will have to pare its workforce by 6,000, or 11 per cent, in the next two years. Even so, the reduction will be implemented through a careful mix of reduced hiring and shifting of workers to affiliates. Nippon Telegraph & Telephone, the giant telecommunications company, has decided to shed 10,000 employees over two years. It has targeted 40 to 57-year-old workers, offering them retirement allowances worth almost seven years' salary, and a special subsidy worth a further one year's salary.

In spite of such cushioning measures, Fumio Sato, president of Toshiba, believes that redundancies are going to become a policy priority for Japan in the next few years: "Measures to offset the problems of redundant workers are going to be the biggest issue for world industry including Japan."

Japan's high regard for the education and security of human resources, born perhaps of an almost complete lack of its own natural resources, has given industry the foundations for its exemplary workforce. It is that tradition, still intact, of investment in the training and loyalty of the worker that should soften the blow if the recession continues and further cut backs are required.

"Lifetime employment as an ideology will continue to exist because Japan will always consider human resources to be important," Haruo Shimada, professor of economics at Keio University, said. "In the mid-seventies, the shipbuilding industry reduced its workforce by hundreds of thousands and the concept of lifetime employment still survived. Compared with that, these recent announcements of job reductions are nothing. Japan will have to get used to an unemployment rate of 3 to 4 per cent, which is the norm for a mature economy."

His concern is that Japan should invest in new industries that will create new job opportunities before it is too late. The ministry of international trade and industry (MITI), the powerful guardian of corporate Japan's fortunes, is also painfully aware of a looming unemployment problem and is at pains to shape policy so as to pre-empt a deterioration towards American or European standards. "Politicians are going to have to confront the unemployment problem, which they are not used to doing. We are putting a lot of resources into research into new job creating industries such as leisure and other service industries," an MITI official said.

Part of the solution could come in the form of a confidence trick. Allaying fears of redundancy should help revive consumer confidence, which in turn will fuel an improvement in the economy, say some economists. Perhaps this is why Chikara Sakaguchi, Japan's labour minister, a man more familiar with health than with labour matters, is currently boning up on the rudiments of the unemployment issue. He plans to attend the world unemployment summit next February, in the US, where he will no doubt be besieged by questions from envious counterparts from other countries.

TEMPUS

Hooking up Wales

SWALEC's proposed joint venture with CableTel is a minnow among the telecom and media giants competing for access to the nation's living rooms. In its patch, however, the South Wales electricity distributor has a nice little earner for the future. It owns a core business which churns out cash but has little long-term potential: revenue growth will be 1 or 2 per cent over the next few years and, like all the utility companies, Swalec faces a choice: give the cash back to the shareholders or invest in a new business. Swalec's success in wiping out borrowings has worsened the dilemma, as the regulator is likely to tightenits grip on a debt-free monopoly.

Investment in cable TV makes sense for a company which already has capital tied up in billing and revenue-collections systems for its 920,000 customers. It also has the technology to pipe entertainment into the streets of Cardiff, Newport and West Glamorgan. But for CableTel, Swalec's most useful asset is probably its billing expertise, which should ensure that the new franchises keep their bad and doubtful debts to a minimum.

Swalec and CableTel are targeting about 300,000 households and 27,000 businesses. They reckon they can generate £25 million in turnover, of which a third will come from delivering cable tv to homes. The remainder will be divided equally between domestic and business telephone services, the latter possibly through Energis, the National Grid's telephone network.

Swalec's £30 million equity stake in the £200 million construction cost will dilute earnings for the first few years but by the end of the century the joint venture should contribute a tenth of group profits. On present assumptions, more of that will coming from telephony than from old movies, a factor that is causing BT concern.

Albert Fisher

ALBERT Fisher has had little help from its markets over the past year, which have suffered from over-supply and depressed prices. Even so, the latest results are disappointing.

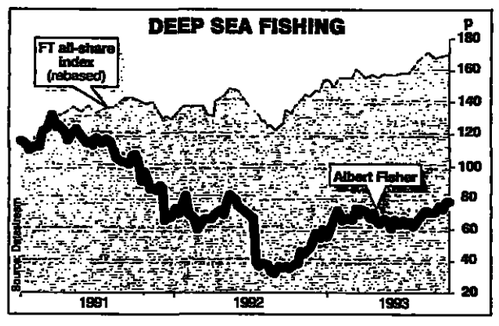
Although pre-tax profits rose, stripping out exceptional items leaves net operating income from continuing businesses 9 per cent down at £49.5 million, despite a 10 per cent rise in turnover.

Stephen Walls, the chairman, insists that the group has a profitable future with its strategy of building dominant market positions and reducing costs. The group has already demonstrated ability in the latter. Achieving the former is likely to prove more difficult.

It is clear that Fisher can build a substantial position in some areas. In parts of North America it is already the largest fresh produce supplier, with market shares in excess of 30 per cent. The group is also a significant force in Britain, where the acquisition of Hunter Saphir this year has strengthened its hand with the big retailing groups.

Achieving its goal in Europe is more difficult. It has a good position in the shellfish market, but fresh produce and food processing are more fragmented. Building up a dominant position in these sectors will inevitably take time and a great deal of money.

With a 6 per cent yield, the shares have their attractions, but above-average profit growth is unlikely.



Stock Exchange

WHAT is a company to do when the Stock Exchange insists that nudges and winks are out of order and every bit of news might be deemed price sensitive?

De La Rue decided yesterday that it was better to be safe than sorry. So it duly informed the market that a party of 40 brokers and fund managers would be visiting its plants and that it would be making a presentation on a commissioned report whose less than breath-taking conclusions had already surfaced in the specialist press.

To protect its back, De La Rue also declared that material given in presentations would be lodged with the Exchange's company announcements office. But the company is probably sensible to be careful, lest it offend those not on the trip, and the announcement could have some value in explaining dealings in De La Rue shares next week.

The Exchange will need to address such matters. On the Continent, silly rules can be issued and generally ignored. In Britain, companies know they must obey regulations or face legal consequences. And at a human level, the Exchange should beware the ultimate danger — making its participants' working lives a complete bore.

WPP Group

THE announcement of an American disposal must immediately make the pulses of WPP Group's long-suffering shareholders beat faster. But while heartbeats may have slowed when it became clear that yesterday's sale was relatively minor, all the indications are that the belated deal to offload the larger Scali, McCabe, Sloves could now be closer than it has ever been.

WPP's shares are not far short of their 105p high for this year, having climbed from 40p at the start of 1993. The sale of Scali to Interpublic, if it follows Fallon, would trim debts of £300 million or so by a significant $75 million, putting less pressure on the management to carry out the more difficult flotations of the market research business or the Far East operations.

Moreover, it would allow them to concentrate on a more important task: the enhancement of margins across the group.

BM Group

THE market refuses to be reassured by BM Group, whose £16 million disposal of its 75 per cent stake in BB&EA barely touched a share price languishing at 21p. But the disposal says more about the group than the recent niggling criticism of its accounts. Added to the £13 million cheque received from the flotation of Austoft, the Australian subsidiary, the BB&EA sale should have made a good dent in the £100 million group debt. BM will not be in the clear until it sells its American vehicle distribution business, where most of the borrowings are situated, but a 15-month agreement with its bankers gives some hope.

BUSINESS LETTERS

Winding up Lloyd's

From Mr Anthony Hopkirk

Sir, With so far 20 corporate vehicles, involving underwriting capacity of nearly £4 billion, being put forward for Lloyd's membership, is not now the time to start a new market, perhaps to be called Middleton's or even Coleridge's, after last year's much respected chairman?

Instead of many of them having to settle for second best, the corporates would have the muscle to entice away the best underwriters, who could move over with their whole organisations, bringing with them individual names able to carry on.

The old Lloyd's could then be wound up, with the remaining syndicates, aided by the central guarantee fund, paying whatever proportion of claims they could in ratio to losses collected from damaged names.

Yours respectfully,
ANTHONY HOPKIRK,
United Oxford & Cambridge University Club,
71 Pall Mall, SW1.

Train power

From Mr F. Paul Taylor

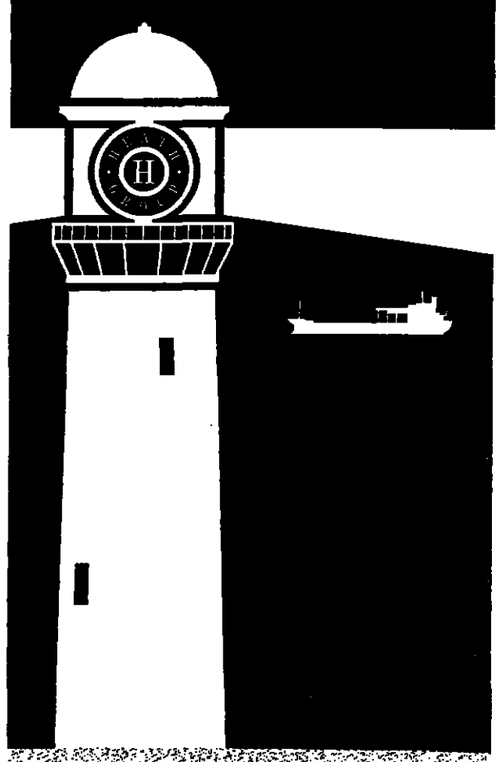
Mr Paul Morris, of Goldman Sachs, (City Diary, October 15) might find it useful to know that there exists a device which enables him to get from central London to central Manchester in two-and-a-half hours.

It is called a train.

Yours faithfully,
PAUL TAYLOR,
7 Kingsway,
Frodsham, Cheshire.

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THE TIMES CITY DIARY

The Halpern connection

SIR Ralph Halpern, former head of Burton, has found an ingenious way of striking back at the City analysts and dealers who tracked his every step during the eighties. His daughter, Jenny, has emerged as the architect of a series of "raids" on City institutions, in which two girls have charmed their way on to dealing floors to sell hand-made men's shirts — with dramatic results. It has emerged that the pair are none other than Tara Bernerd, daughter of Wentworth golf club property developer Elliot, and Arabella Bodie, who works for Jenny's PR consultancy, Halpern Associates. Sir Ralph, who set up a consultancy of the same name in 1991, advises Jenny on "marketing, finance and strategy" — and has done so with all the flair one would expect. In one raid on the offices of Smith New Court, the girls were nearly mobbed by excited dealers, who snapped up shirts worth £2,600 in a matter of minutes. "It was mayhem," says one witness. "The dealers went crazy." Other targets have included Baring Securities, Morgan Stanley and Cazenove & Co, and repeat visits are planned. All this is good news for Jenny's client, Duncan Cavenagh, formerly of Dunhill, who runs his own shirt company on the Fulham Road and is thriving from the Halpern connection.



Jenny Halpern has help from her father, Sir Ralph Halpern

UBS strikes oil

UBS has snatched Jeremy Elden's oils team from Barclays de Zoete Wedd. Elden, along with Mark Fletcher, Anthony Ling and Lucy Haskins, resigned *en masse* yesterday and start at Broadgate in the new year. The move is a return to old pastures for Elden. He worked for UBS Phillips & Drew, as it then was, from 1984-90.

First degree

OF ALL the company announcements issued down the years, is this a first? The latest from Canada's Royal Oak Mines reads: "The company announced today that it was relieved, yet saddened, by the news that one of its former employees, Mr Roger Warren, has been charged with nine counts of first degree murder in the bombing deaths of nine of its miners who were killed on September 18, 1992." The release goes on: "The Royal Canadian Mounted Police has stated that everything from broken windows to more serious violent crimes continue to be under investigation". The heading said it all: "For immediate release — from Yellowknife (sic)."

A HOME-OWNER in Somerton, Somerset, is offering a moving-in pack with his property to encourage potential buyers. It includes a half bottle of wine, two plastic glasses, a bottle opener, a pair of nail scissors, four tea bags, ten plugs, two light bulbs, a reel of cotton, and a box of matches.

Scotch toast

EASY on the Scotch ... That sober institution, The Scotch Whisky Association, hopes to drive home the message that excise duties on Scotch are quite high enough, when it hosts a reception for parliamentarians on the eve of the Queen's Speech next month. Having persuaded Norman Lamont of the merits of their cause, the Scots are hoping for similar success with Kenneth Clarke. MPs and peers alike may, however, be wary of availing themselves too freely of the SWA's legendary hospitality. This follows an unseemly incident after a reception in July, when a tired and emotional George Foulkes, MP, knocked over an elderly woman, hit a policeman, and ended up with a stiff fine. There's certainly a kick in those Highland malts.

Words of wisdom

AN UNNAMED City institution is taking the business of putting its message across very seriously indeed. Macmillan Davies, a Hertford firm of headhunters, is advertising for a speech writer on behalf of "a major player in the international financial services sector". The advertisements draw inspiration from that great American statesman, Thomas Jefferson; waxing on about how "speeches measured by the hour die with the hour," and reminding applicants of the importance of "precision, conciseness, authority and appeal". Macmillan might well recall another of Jefferson's quips: "No duty the Executive had to perform was so trying as to put the right man in the right place."

JON ASHWORTH

Prices squeezed higher

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings began October 18. Dealings end October 29. §Contango day November 1. Settlement day November 8. §Forward bargains are permitted on two previous business days. Prices recorded are at market close. Changes are calculated on the previous day's close, but adjustments are made when a stock is ex-dividend. Changes, yields and price/earnings ratios are based on middle prices.

BANKS, DISCOUNT, HP

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
439	345	Abbey Nd	421	+3	11.5	3.4	16.2
290	179	Allied Irish	288	-2	...	3.6	14.4
197½	130	Aus New Z	177	-1	...	4.9	...
3806¼	2712½	Bankamerica	2843¾	-18¾	...	...	...
286	177	Bk of Ireland	283	-2	...	4.4	20.0
350	325	Bk Leumi UK	350	...	17.0	6.1	...
196¼	116½	Bank Scotland	196¼	+4½	4.5	2.9	26.7
576	362	Barclays	572	+10	...	...	...
4½	2	Benchmark	3½	...	...	...	...
22	15½	Carlisle	17½	...	...	...	...
595	395	Cater Allen	575	...	27.0	5.9	...
153	85	Cattles	145	...	...	3.6	19.3
2487½	1787½	Chase Manh	2287½	...	...	...	...
2600	1343½	Citicorp	2500	+75	...	...	...
450	250	Close Bros	448	...	...	3.1	16.3
£139¼	9275	Commerzbk	£139¼	...	...	2.9	...
£341½	£250½	Deutsche Bk	£338½	-250	...	1.8	...
95	45	First Nat Fin	87	...	...	0.7	...
1651	876	Fuji Bank Y	1401	...	...	0.4	...
529	343	Gerrard Nat	515	+9	21.5	5.2	13.7
775	490	HSBC	750	-3	19.0	3.2	17.9
772	474	HSBC HK	751	-2	19.0	3.2	18.0
391	240	Hambros	387	...	14.0	4.5	17.9
428	313	Joseph (L)	418	...	16.6	5.0	...
155	96	King Shaxson	143	...	9.0	7.9	...
508	312	Kleinwort Ben	501	-1	16.0	4.0	17.4
591	402	Lloyds	575	+2	18.4	4.0	16.4
118	63	Lon Scot Bk	93	...	3.0	4.0	18.4
556	322	Nat Aust Bk	552	+7	...	3.0	20.1
573	398	Nat West	573	+11	17.5	3.8	34.8
460	270	Provident	420	+12	11.4	3.4	18.2
54	39	Rea Bros	51	...	0.5	1.2	54.2
361½	207	Ryl Bk Scot	361	+5	8.8	3.0	...
1335	467½	Schroders	1260	...	...	1.1	25.1
1034	576	Stand Chart	1015	+9	20.0	2.5	...
227	145½	TSB	220	+2	6.4	3.6	...
190	78	Union Disc	172	...	...	...	...
900	529	Warburg SG	879	-3	...	2.7	22.2
9600	4843½	Wells Fargo	7962½	+62½	...	2.5	...
187	121	Westpac	185	+3	...	4.2	...
323	188	Wintrust	320	...	9.3	3.6	28.6

BREWERIES

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
646	517	Allied-Lyons	599	+12	...	4.4	16.2
647	441	Bass	491	-10	18.9	4.8	10.7
299	180	Boddington	270	+1	7.3	3.4	15.7
499	362	Bulmer (HP)	480	...	...	2.0	19.2
167	129	Burtonwd Brw	154	...	4.7	3.9	12.9
130	75	Eldridge P 'A'	128	...	...	3.2	31.9
68½	50	Fosters Brewing	62½	-½	...	4.2	∞
435	338	Fullr Sm 'A'	432	...	...	2.1	18.5
480	383	Grand Met	423	+4	12.3	3.6	14.0
427	347	Greenalls Grp	373	+3	11.7	3.9	12.4
572	505	Greene King	571	...	...	2.7	16.1
521	388	Guinness	412	-1	...	3.6	15.4
281	230	Hardy Hansn	253	-2	7.9	3.9	14.1
138	105	Heavitree	138	...	3.0	2.8	32.9
353	255	Highland Distl	344	+1	0.6	2.4	∞
3138	2538	Holt J	3038	-22	41.0	1.7	19.8
80	73	Hoskins Brew	70	...	...	...	50.4
323	250	Invrgordn Dist	297	-3	...	2.9	17.0
186	132	Macallan-Glen	132	-1	0.9	0.9	29.6
465	375	Marstn Marin 'A'	390	...	...	3.8	18.6
225	164	Mansfield	225	...	...	2.1	16.7
299	231	Mrston Thmp	289	+2	...	2.3	17.5
555	328½	Matthew Clark	555	...	18.0	4.6	16.3
300	253	Mrrydwn W	255	...	7.0	3.4	20.1
545	455	Morland	523	-1	8.4	2.0	20.8
12	6½	Paramount▲	9½	...	...	2.1	∞
199	145	Regent Inns	198 †	...	4.5	2.8	...
1083	753	SA Breweries	1079	+17	...	2.5	18.3
475	393	Scot & New	460	+3	...	4.6	14.3
225	181	Taunton Cider	191	-1	6.0	3.9	15.6
260	213	Vaux Group	256	...	9.3	4.6	17.6
351	225	Wetherspoon JD	351	+5	5.4	1.9	∞
574½	435	Whitbread 'A'	522½	-1½	...	4.2	14.1
1425	850	-do- 'B'	1200	...	...	1.8	30.1
513	463	Wolvrhmptn D	501	+8	11.4	2.8	14.1
515	475	Young 'A'	478	...	14.5	3.8	19.6

BUILDING, ROADS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
135	73	Abbey	135	...	...	1.7	22.2
25½	12½	Albrighton▲	20	...	...	...	...
168	87	Allen▲	136	...	5.0	4.6	30.8
120	65	Amec	115 †	+1	3.0	...	21.3
12	4	Anglia Sec	7½	...	...	...	...
321	155	Ashtead▲	319	...	4.5	1.8	32.6
142	101	Atwoods	134	...	5.0	5.2	∞
276	180	BPB Ind	266	+7	...	3.5	45.8
91	57	Baggeridge Brk	85	-1	3.1	4.6	28.6
31	18	Bailey (Ben) Con	26½	...	0.5	2.6	...
108	74	Barcom	93	...	1.2	1.7	16.9
56½	32½	Bardon	41	...	2.0	6.1	20.2
195	94	Barratt Devs	178½	+1½	4.0	2.8	∞
455	305	Bellway	453	...	...	3.3	26.2
43	15	Bellwinch	40	...	...	...	...
449	295½	Berkeley Gp	434	-1	...	1.7	27.2
116	45	Bett Bros	96	...	...	0.7	3.9
63	36	Blockleys	52½	...	1.0	2.4	58.0
300	189	Blue Circle	300	+10	...	4.7	...
285	230	Boot (Henry)	269	...	5.9	2.8	15.0
106	78	Breedon PLC	87	...	4.6	6.6	21.4
123	82	Br Dredging	123	...	5.2	5.4	26.7
86	45	Brit Fittings	84	...	1.5	2.2	...
151	99	Bryant	139	+1	...	4.3	28.1
113	53	CALA	113	+2	...	2.5	...
321	200	CRH	321	...	...	2.7	17.6
43	15	Cakebread Rby	33	...	...	...	...
41½	21	Costain	30½	...	...	...	...
148	86½	Countryside	140	-1	...	3.7	37.0
98½	38	Crest Nicholson	97	+4	0.0	...	...
112	27	Cussins	100	-1	...	1.3	...
7½	1½	Dunton▲	4½	-½	...	...	...
25	15	Edmond Hldgs	19	...	0.5	...	...
275	178	Epwin	272	...	6.8	3.1	23.0
79	32	Erith	57	...	0.3	0.8	...
483	252	Eve Group▲	483	...	...	2.6	17.5
6½	3½	Explaura▲	4	...	...	...	...
140	97	Freeman Gp▲	129	-1	...	4.8	20.5
50	38	Galliford	42 †	...	1.0	3.0	∞
79	32	Gibbs & Dandy	79	...	...	1.6	...
923	695	Gleeson (MJ)	923	...	12.7	1.7	∞
163	90	Hewden-Stuart	163 †	-1	...	2.5	29.1
51	28	Hewetson	46	...	...	3.4	34.0
358	186	Heywd Wlm	353	+3	12.5	4.4	...
119	37	Higgs & Hill	109	...	2.5	2.9	...
38	26	How Gp	31	...	...	...	...
21	15	Howard Hldgs	21	...	0.5	3.0	...
78	39	Ibstock Johnsen	60 †	-1	1.0	2.1	...
19½	12½	Jarvis	18	...	...	...	...
316	196	Laing (J)	301	-1	9.0	3.7	12.0
127½	103	-do- 6.4% Cv Pf	119½	-½	...	6.7	...
98	55	Ln Clydeside▲	98	...	4.5	5.7	36.9
23	10½	Lovell (YJ)	18	...	...	...	8.2
350	240	Manders	302	-1	9.0	3.7	18.5
166	93	Marley	166	+3	4.2	3.2	48.7
113	61	Marshalls	111	...	...	3.6	76.4
183	122	Maunders (J)	183 †	+2	5.1	3.5	∞
217	96	McAlpine (A)	214	+1	6.5	3.8	37.0
47	23	McCarthy & S	42	...	0.5	...	...
440	272	Meyer Int	440	+11	...	2.8	44.1
129	62	Mowlem (J)	116	+1	4.0	4.3	...
156	51	NSM	147	...	...	...	...
53	48	Needler▲	48	...	...	3.7	22.4
171	106	Newman Tnks	149	-1	...	...	19.9
300	197	Persimmon	292	...	8.6	3.7	29.8
26	10	Phoenix Timber	10 †	...	...	...	...
1625	1237½	Pochins	1525	...	29.0	2.4	∞
163	80	Prowting	162	...	3.4	2.6	...
6½	1½	Quiligotti▲	1½	-½	...	...	...
838	555	RMC Gp	838	+16	...	3.0	31.5
117	75½	Raine Ind	80½	+2½	3.0	4.7	∞
36	18	Ransom▲	34	...	...	...	...
575	402	Redland	555	+10	25.0	5.6	32.3
80	64	Roskel	70 †	...	4.3	7.7	10.3
296	207	Rugby Group	290	+7	6.4	2.8	22.2
68	23	Srvlld-Rrea	67	...	...	0.5	...
134	68	Sharpe & Fisher	134	...	...	3.7	23.3
238	86½	Sheffield Insl	225	...	...	3.0	55.2
169	82	Sheriff Hldgs▲	169	...	...	1.5	25.2
95	66	Shorco▲	84	...	...	7.7	19.1
240	196	Smart (J)	225	...	8.5	4.7	10.2
6½	2½	Starmin	3	...	...	...	...
156	100	Tarmac	139	+3	5.5	4.9	...
194	137	Tay Homes	175 †	...	5.8	4.2	∞
139	63	Taylor Woodrw	127	+1	1.0	1.0	...
628	433	Tilbury Dougls	605	...	33.0	6.8	19.7
39	19	Torex Hires▲	37	...	...	1.4	...
277	168	Travis Perkins	276	...	8.0	3.6	48.6
40	28	Try Group	30	...	1.0	4.2	8.5
28	25	Tudor▲	25	...	...	1.3	...
93½	41	Vibroplant	93	...	2.5	3.4	33.4
65	30	Ward Hldgs	41	...	...	...	...
36	25	Waterhouse	33	...	...	...	...
475	360	Watts Blake	425	...	...	3.5	18.3
26	8	Wescol▲	23	...	...	...	∞
167	90	Westbury	160	...	5.0	3.9	25.0
12	4½	West Scaffold▲	7½	...	...	...	...
3½	3	Wiggins	3½	...	...	...	...
469	371	Wilson Bowdn	440	...	8.7	2.5	30.2
205	147	Wilson (C)	192	...	3.9	2.6	33.3
194	104	Wimpey G	124	+5	...	3.8	...
47	25	YRM	38	+1	0.5	1.6	...

BUSINESS SERVICES

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
675	463	ADT	580	...	...	...	...
238	198	Adam & Harvey	235	...	12.0	6.4	4.3
92	56	Air London▲	68	-7	...	6.6	∞
56	37	African Lakes	47	...	2.0	5.3	...
178	93	Auto Sec	140	-1	...	4.7	25.1
138	84	BET Ord	135½	+4½	...	3.0	5.5
110	41	BNB Res	109	...	4.9	5.7	...
318	258	BPP	306	...	8.0	3.3	16.9
285	195	Barbour Index	225	...	8.0	4.4	15.3
27	15	Boustead	24	-1	0.7	...	...
265	184	Brit Data Mgt	240	...	4.7	2.5	17.5
26	11	Broadcastle▲	26	...	...	1.2	20.7
73	54	Brooks Service	70	...	...	0.9	...
109	86	CRT Gp	97	...	...	3.6	17.2
193	139½	Capita Group	183	-1	...	1.4	28.6
45	31	Caskel Plc	41½	...	...	2.4	16.0
55	19½	Chiltern Capital	34	+½	...	...	...
51	26	Christie	50	...	...	...	...
370	228	Chubb Sec	354	+2	...	1.7	22.0
100	18	Comacc▲	90 #	...	...	2.2	22.1
37	8½	Corp Services	36	+1	...	...	...
78	20	Coutts Cnslg	73½	+1½	...	...	...
122	50	Dart	122	...	3.3	3.4	16.6
256	198	Davis Service	222	...	...	4.5	16.7
104	85	EW Fact▲	104	...	4.3	5.2	11.9
32	11	Gardiner	25½	-2	0.6	...	17.8
277	215	Hays	275½	-1½	5.3	2.4	∞
248	174	Hogg Robinsn	238	...	...	3.5	17.4
70	35	Holmes Protectn	39	...	...	...	2.4
250½	122	Hutch Whamp	246	-4	...	1.9	20.6
2175	975	ISS B DKr	2175	...	...	4.6	3.0
637	510	Inchcape	512 †	-16	...	3.4	16.1
873	669	Johnson Clean	872	...	25.7	3.7	19.0
12	2	Lep	9½	...	...	...	...
288	173	Mitie Gp	279	...	3.5	1.6	21.7
1187	893	Manpower	1083	...	...	...	...
62	40½	Michael Page	60	...	1.8	3.8	25.5
279	125	Pennas▲	128	...	...	9.8	4.8
4½	2	Prime People▲	3½	...	...	...	...
142	74	Proudfoot Alex	78	...	...	...	4.3
423	337	RCO	387	...	12.8	4.5	13.3
118	86	REA	97	...	4.0	...	...
108	43	Reed Executive	104	...	...	...	...
156	108	Reliance Secs	109	...	...	3.2	23.6
238	178	Rentokil	207	+1	2.3	1.4	28.8
283	220	Rotle & Nolan	255	...	...	3.5	14.4
399	334	Salvesen (C)	372	+3	...	2.6	20.4
39	26	Scott Pickford▲	35	...	...	2.0	11.2
10	5	Select Appt▲	9½	...	...	...	...
1193	695	Serco Gp	1193	...	14.0	1.5	33.0
352	124	Sherwd Cmpt▲	147	...	...	6.0	4.3
130	90	Sketchley	106	...	...	3.5	24.2
355	310	Warner Howrd	345	...	6.5	2.4	18.0
45	27	Welpac	31	...	...	...	...
28½	14	Wills Gp	24½	...	0.4	2.0	∞

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
348	210	Allied Colloids	238	+1	...	2.3	20.7
880	613	Amersham	880	...	...	1.9	30.4
7	1½	Anglo Utd	2	...	...	...	...
£111½	8325	BASF DM	£110¾	-121½	...	6.0	...
297	199	BTP	268	...	...	3.0	20.3
£128¼	£101½	Bayer DM50	£127½	-175	...	4.3	...
178	134	Blagden	164	+1	9.5	...	17.7
165	93	Brent Chems	116	...	...	8.0	10.6
530	345	Br Bio-Tech	386	...	...	...	...
29	11½	Caird Gp	12	...	...	13.9	33.3
180	126	Canning (W)	171	...	7.2	3.3	19.6
608	482	Courtaulds	496	-15	...	3.5	13.2
335	228	Croda	333	-1	...	2.8	19.1
149	121	Doeflex	124 †	...	4.6	4.6	9.5
226	175	Ellis & Everard	219	...	...	4.0	20.9
40	19½	Euro Colour	39½	...	0.8	2.5	24.2
342	250	Halstead (J)	339 †	...	6.5	2.4	∞
241	167	Hickson	172	-1	...	5.8	15.9
£118	8850	Hoechst	£112½	-325	...	3.2	...
229	195	Holliday Chem	220	...	...	2.1	20.3
[illegible]	608	ICI	709	...	...	4.8	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	Laporte	684	-3	19.5	3.6	18.9
[illegible]	[illegible]	Leigh	215	-2	...	4.6	20.7
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	53	-2	...	...	...
1987½	1462½	Norsk Hydro	1962½	-9½	...	1.4	27.9
464	370	Paterson Zoch	460	...	12.6	3.5	∞
420	360	-do- 'A'	418	...	12.6	3.9	∞
296	199	Plysu	284	...	...	4.1	14.0
276	173	Porvair	276	+2	3.6	1.6	29.5
70	35	Sutcliffe Speak	54	...	...	...	...
485	412	Wardle Storeys	444	+5	16.0	4.5	17.8
535	395	Wolstenholme R	525	...	17.0	4.0	18.0
406	330	Yorks Chem	405	+10	...	2.4	21.7
300	238	Yule Catto	249	+1	5.9	3.0	15.2
784	595	Zeneca	783½	+4½	...	4.4	46.3

DRAPERY, STORES

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
102	53	Alexon	69	+1	...	...	...
87	42	Amber Day	57	...	3.1	6.8	15.6
352	257	Argos Plc	348	-1	...	2.5	29.7
25	12	Ashley Group	13½	...	...	...	...
118	69	Ashley (Laura)	92	+1	0.1	0.1	...
325	278	Asprey	325	+1	5.1	3.0	22.5
150	94	Austin Reed	150 †	+2	...	2.1	...
155	125	Beattie (J) 'A'	153	...	...	4.9	15.4
121	94	Bentalls	105	...	1.9	2.3	...
278	179	Betterware	205	...	...	1.2	24.5
47	22	Blacks Leis	43	...	2.2	6.5	...
227	133	Body Shop	209	-4	...	1.0	26.9
16½	11½	Brown & Jacksn	12½	...	...	0.8	6.6
432½	318	Brown (N)	432	+2	...	2.0	25.2
87½	64½	Burton	79½	+½	...	...	...
156	126	Cantors	156	+1	4.0	3.2	∞
360	295	Church	348	...	12.5	4.5	31.0
180	97	Clinton Cards	155 †	+1	4.2	3.4	18.7
278	212	Coats Viyella	276	+3	...	3.3	38.1
112	78	Colourvision▲	100	...	5.6	7.0	18.0
743	374	Courts Furnish	743	...	5.5	0.9	9.3
155	115	Crown Eyes▲	135	...	...	6.5	9.2
130	89	Dairy Farm Ind	125	...	...	2.9	18.4
87	51½	Dewhirst (IJ)	83	+1	1.0	1.5	26.6
282	188	Dixons Grp	280	-1	...	2.8	...
413	320	Dunhill	345½	...	8.1	2.9	13.4
21	8	ERA Gp	10	+1	...	...	...
530	400	Elys (Wimbledn)	530	...	16.0	3.8	18.2
166	71	Essex Furn	149 †	-6	...	2.9	∞
273	203	Etam	255	...	6.9	3.4	23.2
608	499	Fine Art Dev	576	-1	12.7	2.8	18.9
70	36	Fired Earth Tiles	60	...	...	...	...
568	498	Forminster	568	...	14.0	3.1	10.3
180	24	French Conn▲	112	-3	...	...	...
74	43	Gent SR	70 †	+3	2.1	3.8	∞
78	23	Goldsmiths Gp	68	...	0.3	0.6	...
4050	2400	GUS	3850	...	...	1.4	30.3
2265	1563	-do- 'A'	2155	-8	...	2.6	16.9
40	24	Hampden Grp▲	24	...	...	5.2	11.9
277	30	Hartstone	64	...	...	5.3	...
27½	20	Helene Plc	25½ †	-½	2.0	9.9	12.1
75	29	Heritage▲	74	...	...	...	...
73	35	Honeysuckle▲	63	...	...	2.0	8.9
155	63	Jacques Vert	155	+6	...	2.4	11.9
691	496	Kingfisher	651½	+4½	...	2.6	22.4
74	62½	Leslie Wise Gp	69	+1	4.0	7.2	14.2
685	495	Liberty	575	...	7.2	1.6	67.7
320	241	Lloyds Chem	262 †	-3	7.2	3.5	∞
152	120	MFI	146	...	...	3.2	30.7
408	311	Marks Spencer	403	-3	...	2.5	22.1
580	445	Menzies (John)	578	...	...	2.3	16.4
237	135	Moss Bros	236	...	5.5	2.9	27.7
212	139½	Next	199	+4	2.5	1.6	23.6
41	15	Oliver (G)	36	...	...	...	...
330	197	Oriflame Intl	319	...	...	3.8	15.6
63	38½	Pentos	44	+½	1.5	...	9.3
313	185	QS Hldgs	192 †	-1	5.1	3.4	13.7
47½	20½	Rhino Grp▲	47½	...	...	...	...
181	135	Sherwood Gp	156	+2	...	2.1	14.1
119½	93	Sears	116½	+2½	...	3.8	...
41½	11	Signet Group	28½	-½	...	...	...
498	400	Smith WH 'A'	480	+1	...	3.7	15.7
20	4½	Specialeyes▲	18	...	...	...	...
229	176	Storehouse	205	-1	...	3.0	26.5
191	148	T & S Stores	156	+1	5.9	4.7	11.6
162	71	Tie Rack	156	...	1.0	0.8	25.5
238	160	Time Products	238	...	7.5	4.0	20.3
128	63	Usher (Frank)▲	110	...	...	6.8	9.5
45	27	Vivat	39	...	1.0	3.2	12.1
40	34	Wensum▲	40	+1	...	5.8	...
119	76	Wickes	113	...	...	0.2	51.3
78	45	Wid of Leather▲	68	...	...	...	...
198	146	Wyevale▲	187	...	...	2.7	34.7
4	2½	Xtra-vision▲	3½	...	...	...	...

ELECTRICALS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
187	134	ACT Group	173	...	...	3.6	17.4
253	223	Acal▲	253	...	...	3.1	17.6
162½	38	Acorn Comp▲	103	-2	...	...	52.2
480	385	Admiral	460	+4	5.4	1.5	19.5
170	104	Alba	163	...	...	3.7	20.4
50	19½	Alphameric	45	...	...	...	...
51	22	Amstrad	48½	...	0.5	1.3	∞
128	61	App Holo▲	71	...	...	...	...
43	9½	Arlen	20	-1	...	...	...
88	35½	Astec	83	-1	...	0.4	...
293	243	Beales Hunter	243	...	...	4.8	15.0
9	2	Bennett & Fountn	2½	...	...	...	...
446	319	BICC	402 †	+4	19.2	6.0	...
575	435	Blick	445	...	9.2	2.6	17.3
1700	925	Borland▲	1150	+12	...	...	...
371	224	Bowthorpe	363	+1	6.3	2.2	23.6
474	376	BT	473	+1	...	4.1	22.3
224	150	BT P/P	223	+1	...	4.0	22.8
14	5	Bulgin (AF) 'A'	13½	+½	0.1	0.9	...
160	97	Burnfield	97	...	5.7	7.4	15.3
995	669	Cable Wireless	963	+15	...	1.9	25.2
27½	11½	Chloride	25½	-1	...	...	...
273	229	CML Micro▲	271	...	...	2.2	19.7
115	74	Comptr People	110	...	0.6	...	...
164	108½	Cray Elect	142	...	...	1.3	14.6
435	243	Critchley	431	...	...	1.8	∞
554	414	Delta	513	...	...	3.4	21.4
360	205	Denmans Ele	359	...	...	2.1	15.3
620	395	Domino	448	-2	7.2	2.0	15.3
65	48	Dowding Mills	62	...	...	5.0	26.6
1155	865	Druck▲	1155	...	10.0	1.1	24.6
469	358	Electrocomps	446	+3	...	2.2	18.2
636	470	El Data Prc	635	+65	5.1	1.0	17.4
135	43	Electron House	135	+3	2.6	2.4	29.6
30½	10	[illegible]	22½	-1	0.1	0.6	...
626	442	Eurotherm	625	...	8.0	1.6	28.4
174½	108	FKI	174½	+1½	...	2.1	25.5
496	340	Farnell Elect	495	-1	...	1.6	26.0
91	33	Feedback▲	87	...	...	2.2	11.3
18	7½	Ferranti	9½	...	...	...	...
278	101	First Tech	278	+2	...	0.4	23.1
270	81	Forward Gp▲	257	...	...	1.6	21.2
22½	16	Forward Tech	17	...	...	...	...
367½	264	GEC	352½	+3½	10.3	3.7	17.7
199	132	Gmseby	183	...	...	7.4	38.5
14½	7½	Graystone	10½	-½	...	...	...
39	36	Hillcare▲	36	...	...	...	...
169	83	INSTEM▲	134 †	...	...	2.9	9.6
169	118	Ind Control	157	-1	4.4	3.5	∞
388	320	Jones Stroud	358	...	...	2.9	15.2
19	8	Kembrey	13½	...	0.1	1.4	...
347	260	Kenwood App	346	...	...	2.8	19.4
47	47	Kewill Sys▲	244	...	...	...	...
209	100	Kode	185	...	5.5	4.2	19.6
60	16	Laser-Scan▲	28	...	...	...	...
365	122	LBMS▲	254	...	...	0.4	35.8
300	205	Lec Refrig	225	+12	9.0	5.0	...
170	129	Life Sciences	137	-1	3.5	3.2	14.8
270	164	Logica	264	...	4.0	1.9	∞
55	44	LPA Ind▲	54	...	...	8.1	15.2
229	162	MR Data Mngmt	194 †	+11	5.1	3.3	∞
718	523	Macro 4	710	...	...	3.1	21.6
243	175½	Memvier-Sw▲	240	...	...	1.9	21.3
3013	1298	Micro Focus	1598	+63	...	...	14.7
227	147	Microgen	162	-1	7.2	5.6	11.0
34½	23½	Microvitec▲	31	...	...	...	...
529	357	Misys	518	+2	...	1.7	18.9
584	98	Mitel	535	+16	...	...	...
138	108	MMT Comp▲	130	...	...	3.4	16.5
50½	16	Molynx	45	...	1.3	...	...
272	202	MTL Instr▲	254	...	...	1.8	19.1
166	103	Multitone Elect	105	-18	3.5	4.3	19.1
239	116	Murray Enter	239	+7	...	2.1	...
3209½	2612½	NYNEX	2962½	-12½	...	...	...
188	128	Neotronics	128	...	2.6	2.5	16.5
65	42	Newmark (L)	56	...	...	...	...
273	58	Norbain▲	273	+22	...	0.7	21.0
75	30	Northamber	61	...	0.6	1.2	...
19	9	Oceonics	11	...	...	...	...
285	195	Oxford Inst	281	+2	4.5	2.0	19.3
83	48	P-E Intern'l	73	...	...	...	...
81½	29	P & P	70	...	1.4	2.5	37.2
80	55	Peek	77	...	3.4	5.6	19.8
227	115	Pegasus▲	220	-1	...	3.6	56.5
9800	9000	Philips Fn 4%	9800	...	...	6.1	...
1387½	725	-do- Lmp nv	1387½	+12½	...	...	...
313	211	Photonlink▲	295	...	...	...	...
290	171½	Pilco	285	...	...	1.8	23.9
280	151½	-do- 'A' Voting	275	...	...	1.9	23.1
96	63	Plasmec▲	73	...	...	...	6.2
120	76	Pressac	108	...	2.4	2.8	21.8
153	81	Psion▲	153	+2	...	2.0	40.6
261	160	Racal Elect	207½	-6½	4.2	2.6	12.3
70	45	Radamec	55	...	...	3.4	11.7
70	31	Radius▲	37	...	2.7	...	12.8
92	61	Real Time▲	64	...	...	5.9	13.1
35	18	Riva▲	27	...	...	...	34.2
629	367	Sage Gp	450	-3	9.0	2.5	14.4
348	222	Sanderson Elec	307	+1	9.0	3.7	13.1
88	49	Scantronic	76	...	3.1	5.1	19.2
181	117	Scholes Grp	172	+1	...	3.6	22.3
375	270	Sema Gp	332	...	2.8	1.1	26.9
42	26	Silvermines	39	...	...	3.2	...
51	37	Soundtracks▲	51	...	...	5.4	17.2
2675	1737½	TDK	2337½	+21½	...	1.4	26.5
27	4½	TDS Circuits▲	13½	...	...	...	...
198	80	Telemetrix	170	-18	0.8	0.6	28.0
1017	809	THORN EMI	921	+12	...	4.3	18.8
143	96	Thorpe FW	133	...	2.6	2.5	∞
103	51	Total Systems▲	52	...	3.0	7.2	9.2
525	372	Tunstall	525	+2	6.0	1.4	21.0
294	164	Unitech	290	+1	...	2.6	66.7
11½	6	Verity	9½	...	...	...	...
35	24	Visteca	29	...	...	...	...
585	367	Vodafone	561	+15	...	1.6	16.6
473	368	Volex	451	-1	17.8	4.9	18.5
28	11	Western Selectn	21	...	...	...	...
290	223	Wholesale Ftgs	268	...	11.7	5.5	28.5

ELECTRICITY

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
590	389	East Midlands	587	+5	...	4.2	11.0
609	399	Eastern Elect	597	+2	...	4.0	11.9
416	304	Hydro-Elect	416	+4½	...	3.4	15.1
601	404	London Elect	599	+6	...	4.1	13.3
653	458	Manweb	653	+6	...	4.0	9.4
624	424½	Midlands Elec	622	+4	...	4.0	11.1
417	273	National Powr	417	+4½	...	3.2	12.4
651	440	Northern Elec	647	+4	...	4.1	9.3
206	100	Nthn Ireland	203	+2	...	3.9	10.8
648	439	Norweb	642	+1	20.0	3.9	9.9
456	273	PowerGen	456	+4	...	2.9	12.0
414	285	Scottish Power	414	+4	...	3.4	15.4
665	436	Seeboard	662	+4	...	3.8	10.7
657	469	Sth Wales	657	+5	...	4.2	10.9
617½	426	Sth Western	605	+2	...	4.1	9.6
614	406	Southern Elec	606	+2	...	4.0	11.1
632	455	Yorkshire Elec	623	-1	...	4.1	11.7

FINANCE, LAND

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
60½	50	Aitken Hume	56	...	1.0	2.2	11.9
125	47	BWD▲	120	+1	...	3.3	18.7
101	26	Baltic Plc	97	...	...	1.3	...
550	413	Caledonia	546	+3	...	3.4	20.3
1700	1075	Camellia	1700	+50	...	2.1	6.4
318	243	Candover	313	...	10.2	4.1	22.2
178	71	Flextech▲	175	...	...	0.4	...
335	155	Gowett	334	+2	...	4.8	9.8
188	125	Ivory Sime	155	-2	...	5.2	14.6
6½	3	LIT	4	...	...	...	...
12	11	Lightship	12 #	...	...	...	...
240	154	Lon Forfaitng▲	239	...	8.4	4.4	17.4
71	47	Manakin	70	...	5.0	8.9	∞
12½	3½	Nat Home Loan	9½	...	...	...	...
56	40	Newmarket	51	...	...	...	...
341	246	Rathbone Brs	327	...	6.0	2.3	19.9
26	17	Rutland Tst	24½	...	...	4.1	14.5
340	253	S & U	321 †	...	10.0	3.9	11.9
83	48	Singer & Fried	81	...	...	4.6	...
975	713	Sotheby's	843	+3	...	4.0	...
145	120	SIP Capital	120	...	3.0	3.1	49.5

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
2556½	1487½	Amer Express	2306¼	+68½	...	...	...
1113	835	Henderson Ad	1113	+13	...	4.7	25.7
200	92	Invesco	174	-1	...	2.2	...
273	164	Jardine Strat	273	+3	...	2.8	11.4
236	154	MAI	232½	-½	...	3.7	14.7
706	389	MAM	706	+8	15.0	2.7	17.6
995	633	M & G	995	+11	...	2.7	26.5
407	109	Smith New Ct	407	+8	...	1.8	6.2
81	55	Tyo Hldgs	76	...	...	4.9	...

FOODS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
536½	456	AB Food	475	-3	14.0	3.7	10.9
77½	52	ASDA Group	54½	-1	1.6	3.7	13.1
305	170	Acatos & Hutch	283	...	6.5	2.9	16.3
80	55	Albert Fisher	75	-5	3.7	6.4	∞
407	285	Argyll	299	+2	...	4.6	21.0
174	117	Assoc Fisheries	161	...	...	6.2	3.3
230	160	Banks (S C)	230	...	9.0	4.9	10.3
402	310	Barr (AG)	323	...	6.5	2.5	16.3
85	57	Bensons Crsp	63	...	...	5.7	14.2
141	112½	Berisford Intl	114	-3	...	...	...
455	357	Booker	384 †	...	...	7.1	33.3
52	35	Borthwick	46½	...	...	3.2	57.8
505	430	Brake Bros	468	...	6.2	1.7	19.4
51	38	Budgen	45	-1	...	2.8	13.7
503	407	Cadbury-Schw	486	...	...	3.4	17.2
122	78	Carrs Milling	122	...	3.9	4.0	24.4
196	156	Cranswick	191	...	...	5.2	14.3
22	8½	Cullens	14½	...	0.5	4.3	41.7
196	119	Dalepak	132	...	6.0	5.7	10.4
384	424	Dalgety	468 †	+4	...	5.5	13.4
54	27	Daniels S	50	...	...	0.6	...
248	191	Devro	239	-1	...	2.9	22.7
134	99	Everest	104	...	3.7	4.4	∞
378	269	Farepak	376	...	5.7	1.9	23.1
10	3	Farringford	8½	...	...	...	...
94	64	Finlay (James)	81	...	...	6.6	26.2
125	78	Fyffes	100	...	...	1.6	18.0
483	328	Geest	376	+4	8.1	2.7	16.8
16	7	Global▲	13½	...	...	4.6	21.0
47	43	Grand Central	47	...	1.2	3.3	∞
203	147	Hazlewood Fds	188	+2	...	4.3	10.6
175	131	Hillsdown	161	+1	8.8	6.9	12.5
250	181	Iceland Group	190	...	...	2.2	12.0
131	103	ILI Group	108	...	...	5.4	12.0
853	653	Kwik Save	680	+12	18.0	2.9	13.0
262	167	Low (Wm)	169	...	8.4	6.2	8.2
83	41	Matthews (B)	77	-1	2.2	3.7	50.4
19½	12½	Merchant Retail	18	...	1.1	7.6	30.9
174	97	Morrison (W)	160	+1	...	1.0	13.0
227	177	Nichols (JN)	223	...	13.6	7.6	6.5
291	237	Nthn Foods	238	-2	...	4.4	11.8
20½	9½	Nrthmbrn Fn▲	11	...	...	...	...
229	172	Nurdin Peack	177	...	...	4.3	9.8
250	205	Park Foods	240	+7	...	3.1	18.5
115	78	Perkins Food	85	...	...	6.5	9.8
114	47	PizzaExpress	111	-1	...	0.6	23.5
9	1½	Regina Hlth▲	4½	...	...	...	...
584	408	Sainsbury J	419	+2	...	3.0	14.7
86	33	Sentry Farm▲	75	...	...	2.5	15.5
225	94	Sims Food	115	...	...	8.2	22.2
439	355½	Tate & Lyle	367	-2	12.0	4.1	11.6
273	189	Tesco	214½	+3½	...	4.1	9.7
211	123	Thorntons	159 †	...	...	2.9	...
183	101	Treat▲	156	...	...	2.9	17.8
410	300	Unigate	385	-1	...	5.2	12.6
437	340½	Utd Biscuits	372 †	+1	...	5.1	23.0
24½	18½	Usborne	20½	...	...	4.9	∞
337	248	Watson & Phil	300	-1	13.3	5.5	15.6

HOTELS, CATERERS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
22	12	Abrdn Stk Fa	22	...	...	...	...
93½	77	City Centre Rest	93½	...	1.5	2.1	22.6
250	170	Forte	219	+2	...	4.3	17.2
215	148	Friendly Hotels	154	...	...	4.6	30.0
11½	5	Harmony Leis▲	10½	...	...	...	...
135½	87	Jurys Hotel	134½	...	...	4.8	10.6
222½	154	Ladbroke	181	+1	11.1	7.7	15.5
73	59	Mandarin Orntl	72	+1	...	4.7	17.8
59	44	Queens Moat	47½ #	...	1.3	3.7	...
99	83	-do- 7⅜% cvpr	85 #	...	7.5	11.0	...
2½	½	Regal Hotels▲	1½	...	...	...	...
55	28	Resort Hotels	45 #	...	3.4	9.6	8.8
24	11½	Ryan Hotels IE	18½	...	...	6.4	...
855	700	Savoy Hotel 'A'	815	...	7.0	1.1	...
66	34½	Stakis	63	+1	...	0.9	...

INDUSTRIALS

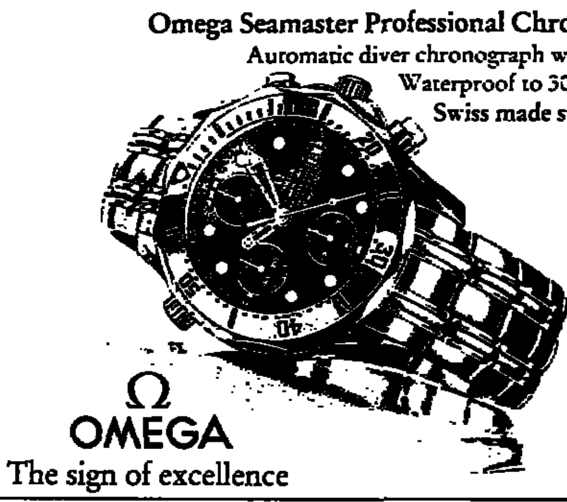
1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
218	44	AAF Inds	44	-5	...	25.0	2.7
616	455	AAH	516	...	...	4.2	16.6
185	140	AIM	185	...	7.5	3.1	11.2
132	88	APV	101	...	...	6.7	...
238	81	ASW	198	...	...	3.8	...
186½	118	Adwest	164 †	...	...	5.5	15.8
29	10	Aerospace Eng	21	...	...	4.5	27.6
281	249	Airsprung	278	...	...	2.0	17.8
180	113	Alexdra W	180	+2	3.8	2.7	28.1
13½	6½	Allied Radio	9	...	...	...	...
292½	207½	Alumasc	283	+½	...	2.6	16.7
48	17	Alvis	41	...	1.0	3.0	8.4
560	345	Amber Ind	560	...	...	4.1	12.8
45	18	Amberley Gp▲	40 #	...	...	3.1	...
107	75	Anagen	76	...	...	...	...
145	75	Andrews Sykes	86	...	...	6.4	...
1005	703	Antofagasta	980	-20	...	2.1	18.0
54½	37	Armour	50½	...	...	4.2	11.7
170	143	Ash & Lacy	148 †	...	6.4	5.4	15.1
4	2½	Ass Br Eng	3½	...	...	1.8	...
541½	434	Avon Rubber	515	...	...	4.0	20.5
261	168	Assoc Nursg▲	261	+6	...	0.5	16.0
687½	523	Atlas Equip	525	...	...	5.2	13.2
68	35	Ayrshire Metal	60	...	...	...	...
182	147	BBA	155	...	...	6.0	13.2
75	28	BLP Group▲	75	...	...	...	...
77	13	BM Gp	21	+½	5.0	...	0.9
770	622	BOC	660	-11	23.2	4.4	14.5
79½	62	BSG	70½	...	...	5.7	24.5
487	353	BSS Group	468	...	...	4.6	28.0
409½	318	BTR	369	+3	...	3.7	20.6
221	155	BWI	170	+2	6.7	5.1	∞
50	29	Babcock	34	+½	...	7.7	20.3
9	4½	Bailey (CH)	7½	...	...	...	...
289	240	Bardon (Wm)?	274	+1	8.9	4.1	18.8
1062½	550	Barlow Rand	650	+12½	...	5.3	3.7
65	48	Baynes (Charles)	62	...	...	2.9	25.4
15	4	Beaufort	4½	...	...	...	...
10	4½	Beckenham▲	4½	-½	...	...	...
34	15	Bedford (W)▲	32	...	...	...	...
27½	15	Benson Group	16½	...	...	2.3	12.5
707	461	Berpak	490	-5	10.0	2.6	15.3
133	73	Bibby (J)	83	...	9.7	...	4.9
312	129	Billam (J)	285	-4	5.0	2.2	14.4
41	21½	Bilsom Burmes▲	27	...	...	...	...
11½	3½	Bimec Ind	5½	...	...	...	...
214	118½	Birkby	214	...	3.5	2.1	20.3
45	32	Black Arrow	38	...	2.6	8.6	11.9
1½	½	Black & Edgtn▲	1½	...	...	...	...
240	136	Black (Peter)	239	...	3.7	2.0	21.0
562	129	Bluebird Toys▲	516	-2	...	1.1	15.7
322	247	Bodycote	284	...	...	2.2	18.0
40	23	Bogod 'A'	28	...	0.7	3.1	10.4
563	416	Boots	509	+2	...	3.3	18.9
61	42	Booth Inds	50	...	0.7	1.8	...
523	435½	Bowater	449	...	...	3.2	18.8
1682	1180	Bowater Inc	1272 †	+21	...	...	...
277	199	Bowthorpe Inds▲	276 †	...	...	1.7	20.7
19	12½	Brasway	15½	...	...	4.1	...
303	204	Brammer	290	...	13.0	5.6	21.6
27	12	Bridgend Gp	26	...	0.4	2.1	...
123	64	Bridon	119	...	...	4.2	...
88	53	Bridport-Gndry	76	...	4.1	6.7	14.3
48	31	Brierley Inv	45	-1	...	7.6	∞
308	245	Br Bldg & Eng	245	...	8.0	4.2	∞
82	42	Br Bloodstock▲	78	...	...	...	...
528	417	Br Polythene	466 †	...	...	2.7	16.7
130	54	Br Steel	129½	+3½	...	1.0	...
180	80	Br Syphon	85	...	...	4.4	23.8
185	115	Br Thornton	156	+5	...	2.0	17.1
268	215	Br Vita	242	+6	7.1	3.7	14.9
19½	9½	Braxon Grp	15½	...	...	1.5	...
782	535	Broken Hill	765	-5	...	2.3	35.7
112	78	Brammer Ind?	106	...	...	5.2	13.8
10½	6½	Brooke Tool	9	...	...	...	...
73	44	Brown & Tawse	54	-3	...	...	...
132	91	Bullough	127	-1	6.0	6.0	21.7
23	11½	Business Tech▲	19	+½	...	...	...
28	17	CI Group	22	...	1.0	...	20.8
29	11	Campbell & Arm	26	...	...	...	...
39	6½	Cannon St	30½	...	...	...	...
257	205	Cape	257	+1	...	5.1	17.4
251	178	Cardo Eng	247	...	8.6	4.4	17.6
2888	2138	Carnaud Mtl	2375	+40	...	2.6	∞
78	68	Cassidy Bros▲	72	...	...	4.2	11.8
213	158	Castings	213	...	4.3	2.6	15.0
71	62	Cathay Intl	66	...	...	...	...
195	113	Chamberlin Hill	175	...	6.2	4.5	10.9
753	605	Charter	752	+6	...	3.7	17.7
345	220	Chemring	317	-2	...	3.2	19.1
92	45	Chieftain Gp▲	51	...	5.1	...	10.9
69	17	Chillington	44	...	0.2	0.7	...
205	144	Christies Int	202	...	...	0.9	50.1
63	34	Clayhithe	63	...	...	5.0	...
95	70	Clayton Son	75	...	...	...	...
7	7	Co Designers▲	7 #	...	...	...	...
400	286	Cohen (A)	363	...	6.8	...	...
223	179	Community H	222	+1	...	3.9	15.1
246	186½	Concentric	215	...	...	3.2	18.1
288	120	Cook (Wm)	274	...	5.0	2.3	16.6
233	182	Cookson	207	+2	...	3.6	27.4
70	38	Copymore▲	71	...	...	1.8	21.7
238	130	Crmwll Pkr 'A'	143	...	...	5.0	19.3
178	92	Cosalt	132	...	10.7	...	20.1
224	150	Creighton Nt▲	198	...	...	4.6	14.2
48	27	CrestaCare	33	...	0.5	1.9	28.6
3931½	2993½	Dana	3906¼	-9½	...	...	...
305	78½	Danka Bs Sys	293	-11	...	0.5	27.8
243	193	David Brown	223	-22	...	3.4	15.8
22	5	Davies (DY)▲	17	...	...	...	...
730	632	De La Rue	730	+5	...	2.9	19.4
30	16	Dixie Heel	30	...	0.9	4.0	23.5
561	391	Diploma	558	-2	9.7	2.2	29.0
79	50	Dobson Park	78	...	5.7	...	14.0
116	92	Dyson (J&J)	114	...	5.0	5.5	21.0
80	57	-do- 'A'	77	...	5.0	8.1	14.2
16½	8	EFG	12½	...	...	...	...
440	367	EIS	409	+1	...	3.9	16.1
28	19	Elbief	25	...	...	...	...
50	19	Eleco	46	...	...	...	0.00
2350	1750	Electrolux 'B'	2250	...	...	2.3	...
76	45	Elliott (B)	74	...	...	...	...
475	394	Eng China Cl	422	+7	...	5.9	24.6
140	111	Enviromed	138	...	...	...	50.3
3962½	1550	Ericsson 'B'	3762½	-71½	1.6	0.8	26.4
77	32	Eurocopy	68	...	...	...	1.7
87	47	Expamet	70	...	...	...	...
717	499	Fairey Group	675	+1	10.2	1.9	20.8
108	47	Fenner	105 †	...	4.2	...	22.3
66	32	Ferraris Group	64	...	...	2.0	15.0
1½	...	Ferromet▲	1½	...	...	...	...
29	15	Ferrum	19	+1	2.5	...	13.3
61	28	Fife Indmar	60	...	0.5	1.0	...
251	147	Fisons	163½	-½	...	6.8	14.9
53	29	Fitzwilton	46	...	...	9.6	...
288	215	Flogas	273	...	...	3.6	12.5
43	39½	Folkes Group nv	37	+1	1.5	5.1	21.0
86	56	French (Thomas)	83	...	3.6	5.5	41.6
240	166½	Frost Group	224	-1	...	2.3	28.2
71	[illegible]	GEI Intl	85	...	...	7.3	...
513	434	GKN	476	-4	...	5.4	31.7
51	42	GR Hldgs	44	...	...	5.7	...
101	79	Garton Eng	92 †	...	4.0	5.4	...
161	103	Gestetner	154	+5	8.2	6.7	6.7
43	23	Gleves	43	+2	...	...	31.1
801	509	Glaxo	723	-23	...	3.8	18.9
38	16	Glenchewton	30½	...	...	...	...
345	245	Glynwed	316	...	11.6	4.7	29.4
129	66	Goode Durrant	128	...	...	5.3	...
153	102	Grampian Hd	145	...	5.5	4.8	24.9
498	341	Granada	482	...	7.7	2.0	25.7
447	301	[illegible]	446	+1	...	3.1	18.3
117	78	Green (Ernst)▲	99	...	...	9.2	∞
15½	8½	Greenacre	15½	...	...	2.3	15.1
17	6	Guardian Grp▲	10½	...	...	...	...
62	30½	Haden MacLn	62	...	...	4.0	22.4
94	44	Hadleigh Inds▲	89	...	...	0.7	...
290	115	Hall Eng	256	...	8.6	3.9	23.0
229	161	Halma	197	...	...	1.3	26.5
49	30	Hampson Ind	45	...	1.6	4.4	14.9
274½	222	Hanson	274½	+1½	...	5.2	14.0
221	153	Harris (Philip)	162	...	...	5.3	9.8
198	147	Harrison Crsfld	190	+2	9.0	5.9	27.4
97	38	Havelock Euro	97	+11	...	...	...
51	20	Hay (Norman)	38	...	...	...	...
28	17	Headway	25	...	0.7	3.5	∞
13½	4½	Healthcare	4½	...	...	22.2	1.2
395	301	Hepworth	394	...	14.8	4.7	17.0
228	160	Hewitt (J)	223	...	3.0	1.7	17.4
38	15	High-Point	33	-3	1.5	...	...
162	112½	Hill & Smith	162	-1	...	4.3	22.5
19½	6½	Hobson▲	18½	...	...	...	...
176	87	Holders Tech▲	176	...	...	4.3	23.0
52	30	Hopkinsons	49 †	...	1.3	...	37.1
173	133	Hornby▲	173	...	...	6.5	16.3
88	54½	Howden	84	-1	2.2	3.3	15.5
280	173	Hunting	237½	...	...	5.3	20.0
503	369½	Huntleigh Tec▲	478	+3	...	2.6	12.2
312	247	IMI	280	+3	...	4.5	24.8
119	90	ISA Intl	118	...	1.3	1.6	18.3
205	139	Intercare Gp▲	142	...	...	2.3	15.0
286	235	Isoton	280	-1	4.3	1.9	∞
636	360	Jardine Math	624	-7	...	2.0	22.8
537	425	Johnson Matth	498	...	...	2.6	21.4
64	36½	Johnson & FB	42	-...	3.0	8.9	13.0
177	104	Johnston	148	...	3.2	...	...
32	19	Jones Shipman	25	...	...	...	...
35	18	Jourdan (T)	29	-2	0.7	1.3	...
87	26	Kalamazoo	87	...	2.1	3.0	20.2
178	73	Kalon	168	-3	...	2.4	23.3
297	195	Kelsey Ind	250	...	13.0	...	...
555	465	Kershaw (A)	555	+2	27.0	6.1	28.8
235	75	Kleeneze	200	-1	...	...	...
151	61	LGW▲	143	...	3.0	2.6	11.9
351	266	Laird	340	+3	...	3.9	16.7
157½	103	Lilleshall	146	...	...	3.6	19.2
223	97	Lincat	204	...	...	3.7	14.4
34	4½	Lincoln Hse▲	22½	...	...	...	18.5
128	76	Linread	109	...	3.7	4.3	16.8
280	170	Linton Park	258	+3	...	6.8	9.3
15½	9½	Lionheart	10	...	0.2	2.5	...
22½	15	Locker (T) A	20	...	1.0	6.2	24.1
274	140	Lon Intl	168	+1	9.4	7.0	12.8
135	70	Lonrho	130½	...	...	3.8	...
388	269	Low & Bonar	354	-1	...	3.2	49.6
340	254	MB-Caradon	337	+2½	...	3.2	27.2
168½	128	-do- pf	164½ †	+2	7.2	5.5	...
41	14½	ML Hldgs	40	...	...	...	...
47	27	MS Intl	47	...	...	...	...
59	39	MY Holdings	57	-2	...	6.6	48.4
216	168	Macfarlane	203	...	...	2.8	∞
460	379	McKechnie	434	...	14.7	4.3	∞
106	85	McLeod Russel	103	...	6.0	7.3	12.6
10½	2½	Maddox	2½	...	...	...	15.0
106	63	Magnolia	100	...	0.1	0.1	16.1
106	71	Mang Bronze	97	...	1.0	1.3	...
26½	19½	Marling	23	...	...	3.5	...
205	124	Mayborn▲	205	...	...	3.0	15.7
62	29	Mayflower	58	...	...	2.7	48.4
236	85	Medeva	122	+½	...	2.3	9.9
118	88	Meggitt	101	...	...	4.7	17.2
125	98	Metalrax	118	...	...	3.9	19.3
154	126	Metrotect	153	+1	...	2.6	21.3
98	70	Metsec▲	98	...	...	...	...
90	29	Midstates	87 †	...	...	1.1	12.1
25	14	Mining & Ald	25	+2	0.5	2.5	...
515	368	Molins	505	+2	...	3.5	12.1
345	262	Morgan Cble	324 †	+4	...	4.9	17.0
184	134	Morris Ashby▲	177	...	...	3.8	13.4
33	18	Neepsend	28	...	0.7	3.3	37.6
73	34	Nestor-BNA	62	...	3.1	6.4	14.8
191	122	Nobo Gp	191	...	4.8	3.1	18.9
181	122½	Norcros	172	+2	...	5.1	25.1
51	35	Novo Group	38	...	...	4.3	12.2
413	310	Nu-Swift	350	...	...	...	∞
81	36	Office Elec Mac	63	...	0.1	0.2	...
43	21	OMI Intl	43	...	...	5.1	...
140	123	PCT▲	132	...	...	6.9	15.0
76	36	Pacer Systems▲	70 †	...	...	6.2	...
138	87½	Pentland	101	-5	...	3.1	13.7
395	290	Photo-Me	337	+17	4.6	1.7	21.8
165	97½	Pilkington	140½	+2	...	3.6	...
87	68	Plantsbrook	86	...	3.0	4.4	13.6
154	125	Polypipe	147	...	2.1	1.8	∞
42	17	Porter Chadburn	20	...	...	7.8	9.2
14½	5½	Porth Gp▲	14	...	...	...	...
376	306	Powerscreen	363	-2	...	2.3	18.9
20½	16½	Prospect Inds	19½	-½	0.7	4.9	9.6
64	37½	RPS Group▲	64	...	2.2	4.3	14.1
95	73	Radiant Metal	85	...	...	...	...
185	77	Ramco Oil▲	132	...	...	...	...
847	636	Rank Org	820	-7	31.0	4.7	22.4
33	15	Ransomes	17	...	...	...	...
657	532	Reckitt Colm	655 †	+4½	...	3.1	15.1
77	50	Record	70 †	...	3.6	6.4	34.4
7½	2½	Reece	4½	-½	...	...	...
268	131	Relyon	268	+1	4.9	2.3	12.2
303	208	Renishaw	280 †	+2	6.5	2.9	∞
109	55	Renold	109	...	...	1.1	...
1607	1240	Reuters	1605	+20	21.2	1.7	26.5
62	24½	Rexmore	59	...	1.7	3.7	...
188	91	Ricardo Group	188	...	...	3.8	26.6
76	58	Richard (Leics)	74	...	4.4	...	...
98	63	Richardson West	81	...	3.0	4.6	20.8
142	109	Ropner	134	...	8.2	7.7	19.0
136	97	-do- 'A'	126	...	8.2	8.2	17.9
38	23	Ross Gp	25	...	0.6	3.3	10.1
184	131½	Rotork	173	+3	...	2.7	20.2
162	89	Rubicon	162	...	...	3.3	22.7
66	43	Russell (A)	65	...	...	...	...
29	15	SEP Indl	28½	...	...	3.3	26.1
1087½	625	SKF 'B'	1087½	...	...	...	...
50	39	Saville Grdn (J)	54	...	...	5.1	26.9
248	205	Scapa	213½	-1½	...	3.3	16.3
238	192	Scholl	202	...	...	3.9	14.7
6½	4	Scot Heritable	4½	...	...	...	...
1092	917	Securicor	1090	...	2.6	0.3	41.5
800	562	-do- 'A'	800	+5	2.6	0.4	30.4
710	465	Security Serv	710	+2	5.0	0.9	35.1
124½	77	Senior Eng	123½ †	...	...	3.2	20.6
361	278	Seton Health	316	...	...	2.3	18.5
68	42	Sheldon Jones▲	65	...	2.9	2.6	15.1
141	88	Shiloh	140	-1	...	3.9	20.7
344	281	Sidlaw	324	+2	...	2.5	19.9
561	427	Siebe	538	...	...	2.8	19.4
383	220	Silentnight	361	...	...	3.8	∞
142	102	Sime Darby	142	...	...	...	...
142	32	Simon Eng	84	+7	...	...	...
259	183	Sinclair (Wm)	193 †	...	...	4.8	14.2
47	36	Six Hundred	45	...	...	4.9	...
164	137½	Smith & Neph	142½	+2	...	4.1	15.9
513	389	SmithKline	434½	+12½	8.6	2.5	15.6
450	340	SmithKline Uts	392	+17	...	3.3	15.2
400	320	Smiths Ind	395	+1	...	3.8	15.7
140	58	Som Bus	82	...	3.3	5.2	7.6
460	265	Spandex▲	360	...	...	1.8	29.5
650	300	Spear (JW)	600	...	4.0	2.9	11.2
376	314	Spirax-Sarco	367	...	...	3.2	23.0
145	44	Spring Ram	58	...	...	...	[illegible]
270	221	Staveley	222	-½	...	4.5	12.6
164	126	Sterling Ind	162	...	...	4.3	24.5
187	97	Suter	176	...	8.5	6.2	19.4
433	244	Swire Pacfc 'A'	406	-5	...	2.2	∞
7	3	Sycamore	3½	...	...	...	...
78	53	Sykes-Pick	55	...	...	...	10.3
149	120	Syltone	148 †	...	...	4.0	19.5
374	279	TI	355	+3	...	3.8	24.3
32	12	TLS Range▲	32	...	...	7.0	...
318	211	TT Group	316	...	...	2.6	19.6
249	220	Takare	233	-1	1.8	1.2	19.3
868	618	Takeda Chem	825	...	...	0.8	15.6
68	24	Tex Hldgs	68	...	...	...	...
109	70	Tinsley (E)▲	101	...	...	[illegible]	[illegible]
240	150	Titon▲	240	...	...	3.1	25.9
271	212½	Tomkins	255	+4	...	[illegible]	[illegible]
112	67	Trafalgar H	95	-4½	...	4.5	6.8
116	69	Transfer Tech	100	...	3.2	4.0	[illegible]
190	159½	Triplex Lloyd	169	...	...	[illegible]	[illegible]
269	214	UniChem	259	-4	5.5	2.6	17.6
375	275½	Unicare	365	...	...	3.4	16.3
76	11½	Unigroup	32	...	...	...	...
1249	938	Unilever	1150	-19	2.5	[illegible]	[illegible]
8112½	6362½	Unilever (NV)	7725	-9½	...	[illegible]	[illegible]
915	513	VSEL	536	-5	...	[illegible]	[illegible]
12½	6½	Verson	11	...	...	...	...
164	95	Vickers	140	-5	...	[illegible]	[illegible]
367	243	Victaulic	360	[illegible]	...	[illegible]	[illegible]
449	283	Vinten	440	...	3.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
694	425	Vosper Thorny	675	...	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
46	41	WSP Hldgs	49	...	...	...	...
468	368	Waycn Ind	445	...	...	4.9	[illegible]
98	71	Walker Greenbk	92	-2	...	[illegible]	[illegible]
258	201	Wassall	249	...	...	...	...
42	22	Warford Wdgwd	36½	...	...	...	...
384	291	Weir	311	-1	...	[illegible]	[illegible]
993	600	Wellcome	[illegible]	-36	13.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
23½	18	Wellman	19	...	...	[illegible]	[illegible]
357	250	West Hlmbare	357	...	...	[illegible]	[illegible]
510	460	Whatman	484	...	...	[illegible]	[illegible]
253	224	Whessoe	233	...	...	[illegible]	[illegible]
70	27	Whitecroft	[illegible]	...	...	...	...
8	4½	Widney	6	...	...	...	...
130	44	Wilkes Dames	129	...	...	[illegible]	[illegible]
365	295½	Williams Hldg	330	-5	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
39	17	Wilshaw	35½	...	...	[illegible]	[illegible]
701	513	Wolseley	701	+9	[illegible]	[illegible]	∞
150	125	Wood (Arthur)	132	...	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
40	35	Wyko	37	...	...	[illegible]	[illegible]
94	35	Young (H)	[illegible]	...	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

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INSURANCE

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1995½	1369½	Alex & Alex	1261½	-106½	...	5.2	...
2409½	1787½	Am Gen	2112½	-37½	...	3.5	...
60	30	Archer (A)	60	-4	4.4	...	[illegible]
183	137	Berry Bch Nbl▲	164	...	...	[illegible]	[illegible]
149	116	Bradstock	130	-2	[illegible]	4.9	16.0
478	359½	Britannic	469	+14	...	3.2	...
667	556	Corn Union	655	+19	...	4.5	...
1750	1225	Dom & Gen	1750	+25	...	1.5	[illegible]
39	18	FAI	38	...	...	...	...
741	546	Gen Accident	717	+4	25.7	4.7	...
230	160	GRE	221	+5	7.0	4.5	18.4
412	293	Heath C E	398	+1	...	5.0	...
228	160	Hogg Gp	160	...	8.1	6.5	14.2
215	162	JIB Group	175	...	...	5.4	17.9
536	408½	Legal & Gen	536	+11	...	4.5	32.6
1092	768	Liberty Life	1054	-8	...	2.4	20.6
465	403	Lloyds Abbey	460	+3	17.3	4.7	16.5
338	253	Lloyd Thomp	285	...	6.7	2.9	17.7
388	274	Londn & Man	383	+10	14.2	4.7	28.2
443	321	Lowndes Lmb	419	+2	13.5	4.0	15.1
6743½	5456½	Marsh McLn	5587½	-6½	...	3.2	...
130	76	Ordel	129	...	...	4.9	...
72	50½	PWS	65	...	4.0	7.7	9.4
371	282½	Prudential	371	+4	...	4.0	24.6
1138	800	Refuge	1033	+8	31.5	3.8	28.6
347	248	Royal	325	+2	...	2.5	...
304	150	Sedgwick	184	+4	...	4.1	22.7
361	119	Steel Burrill	149	...	...	...	8.8
89	48	Sturge Hldgs	87	...	8.2	...	8.5
400	307	Sun Alliance	380	-4	14.2	4.7	...
75	50	Trade Indemnty	75	...	...	...	...
332	239	Transatlantic	314	...	12.0	4.8	29.1
773	499	Utd Friendly	645	...	14.5	2.8	28.1
242	171	Willis Corroon	223	-1	...	3.7	47.9
21	13½	Windsor	19	...	...	...	14.9

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1830	1548	Alliance	1830	+10	45.0	3.1	40.0
275	226½	Amer Trust	275	+2	4.9	2.2	57.1
420	304	Ang & O'seas	430	+3	6.8	2.0	53.3
156	124	BZW Conv	156	...	7.8	6.3	∞
188½	137½	Bankers	185½	-½	3.4	2.3	51.0
323	264	Baring Tribne	323	+1	6.4	2.5	51.1
203	131	Berry Starq	200	...	2.2	1.4	66.0
110	96½	Br Assets	109	+1½	...	4.9	26.7
83	57½	Br Empire Sec	83	+½	0.8	1.3	...
30	14	-do- Wnts	30	+1	...	...	...
198	156	Br Inv	198	...	4.5	2.8	44.6
195	130	Cornl Asset	193	...	2.4	1.6	64.2
195	143	Derby Inc	152	...	...	11.7	9.1
290	195	-do- Cap	290	+5	...	...	...
87	62	Drayton Blue	87	...	8.4	12.1	9.7
85	35	-do- Eng Inf	82	...	1.2	1.8	...
133	84	-do- Far East	133	+2	0.6	0.6	...
122	95	-do- Korea	117	...	0.5	0.6	...
683	576	Dunedin Inc G	683	+3	...	4.7	31.4
100	91½	-do- Japan	91½	...	...	...	...
55	38	-do- Warrants	46	...	...	...	...
721	513	-do- Wwde	721	+8	9.5	1.6	74.3
292	222	Dundee & Lon	290	+½	...	3.9	26.8
305	250½	Edinburgh	305	+2	8.4	3.5	33.0
286	183	Electra Inv	288	+1	6.7	2.9	39.3
190	141	Electric Gen	189½	...	3.1	2.0	59.0
114	85	English Scot	114	...	...	...	...
305	205	European Asset	305	+2	...	2.4	39.6
133	77	Finsbury 'A'	132	...	3.0	2.8	42.5
307	248	Fleming Amer	305	-1	0.7	0.3	...
219	190½	-do- Claver	214	...	...	3.1	42.2
332	212	-do- Contl	332	+1	2.7	1.0	...
202	147	-do- Emrg	200	...	...	2.9	40.4
350	213	-do- F East	356	+1	1.1	0.4	...
328	246	-do- Fledg	327	...	3.0	1.1	...
118	93	-do- Hi Inc	106	...	...	5.2	18.1
260	136	-do- Japan	231	-2	0.3	0.2	...
289	230	-do- Merc	299	+2	6.7	2.9	61.9
301	212	-do- O'seas	301	...	4.2	1.7	63.0
273	203	Foreign & Col	271	-2	...	1.6	73.8
121	56½	-do- Emrg Mkts	119	...	0.2	0.3	...
66½	44	-do- Enterprise	66½	+½	0.4	0.8	...
228	164	-do- Eurotst	228	+1	1.2	0.7	...
129	87	-do- German	129	...	0.5	0.5	...
319	191	-do- Pacific	315	...	...	0.8	...
167½	116	-do- Smaller	167	...	1.8	1.4	...
272	145	GT Japan	242	...	...	0.6	...
162	65	Genl Cons Cap	162	+1	...	...	...
123½	96½	-do- Inc	116½	-½	...	9.1	12.0
165	115	Govett Am Smlr	164	...	...	...	...
115	94	-do- Emg Mkts	115	+1	...	...	...
337	184	-do- Oriental	336	-½	0.9	0.4	...
286	207	-do- Strategy	283	-1	...	3.0	39.1
403	340	Greenfriar	403	...	...	2.0	60.5
19	5	Gresham House	19	...	...	...	...
143	124	Inv Cap	140½	+½	5.1	4.5	28.2
97	77	HS UK Smllr	92	...	2.8	3.8	25.7
209	156½	Kleinwort Chrt	205	+1	5.0	3.0	39.9
245½	176	-do- O'seas	245½	+1½	3.3	1.7	69.8
142	106	-do- Smlr	142	+4	...	3.1	34.4
688	540	Law Debenture	686	+2	19.2	[illegible]	[illegible]
197	[illegible]	Majedie	[illegible]	...	...	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Merchants	[illegible]	...	...	[illegible]	[illegible]
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140	[illegible]	Merg Gran Inc	140	...	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Warrants	[illegible]	...	...	...	...
[illegible]	30	Murray Euro	[illegible]	+1	0.1	0.3	...
[illegible]	4½	Do Wts	[illegible]	...	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	Murray Income	360	+1	10.9	3.8	34.4
[illegible]	[illegible]	-do- Ind	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
400	[illegible]	-do- Small	400	[illegible]	...	14.2	9.1
[illegible]	[illegible]	-do- S/C Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	-do- S/C Cap	[illegible]	[illegible]	...	...	...
3128	2750	-do- S/C US	[illegible]	+50	...	4.2	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	-do- S/C DP	156	...	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	-do- Vent	[illegible]	...	10.9	4.4	∞
[illegible]	66	[illegible]	[illegible]	...	6.7	9.3	17.0
344	249	O'seas Inv Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]	2.8	1.0	...
468	[illegible]	Pacific Assets	407	[illegible]	1.1	0.5	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Warrants	[illegible]	[illegible]	...	...	...
6500	7650	Personal Assets	[illegible]	...	100	2.4	49.3
[illegible]	100	RIT Cap Ptnr	[illegible]	+6	1.1	0.9	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	River & Merc	[illegible]	...	9.2	9.1	12.6
[illegible]	[illegible]	Robeco	[illegible]	...	...	3.0	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	Rolinco	[illegible]	...	...	1.9	...
[illegible]	214	St Andrew Inv	[illegible]	+1	7.5	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Scot Asian	[illegible]	-2	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Warrants	[illegible]	...	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	-do- Eastern	[illegible]	+1	[illegible]	[illegible]	54.2
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	4.9	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	-do- Mtge	[illegible]	[illegible]	4.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	-do- Value	[illegible]	[illegible]	...	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Second Alliance	[illegible]	-3	...	[illegible]	[illegible]
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[illegible]	[illegible]	Selective Asset	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Sphere Inv	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	TR Far East	[illegible]	...	4.5	[illegible]	[illegible]
166	[illegible]	TR City Of Lon	[illegible]	[illegible]	...	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	TR Pacific	[illegible]	-1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	TR Property	[illegible]	[illegible]	0.9	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	TR Tech Inv	[illegible]	...	[illegible]	[illegible]	44.1
[illegible]	[illegible]	TR Smlr Cos	[illegible]	...	[illegible]	[illegible]	45.6
[illegible]	[illegible]	Temple Bar	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Thrmtn Asian E	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	USDC Invest	[illegible]	[illegible]	4.5	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Value Trust	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Whitbread Inv	[illegible]	[illegible]	16.5	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Witan	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

LEISURE

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	...	[illegible]	[illegible]	15.9
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	∞
[illegible]	[illegible]	Anglia TV	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	3.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Boosey Hawks	145	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Border TV	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	3.0	12.4
[illegible]	[illegible]	Brent Walker	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Campari	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Capital Radio	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Carlton Comm	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	5.4	∞
[illegible]	[illegible]	Central TV	[illegible]	[illegible]	39.6	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Chrysalis	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	565	-5	...	3.3	16.4
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	6.7	[illegible]	8.0
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	580	-10	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	0.3	[illegible]	∞
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	10.5	4.2	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	6.1	2.9	18.4
[illegible]	[illegible]	GWR Gp	550	-2	...	1.5	29.8
[illegible]	[illegible]	Grampian	[illegible]	[illegible]	6.1	3.2	16.5
[illegible]	4½	Greenwich Cmns	19	...	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	HTV Group	[illegible]	[illegible]	...	...	40.9
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	...	3.9	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	...	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	LWT Hldgs	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1.3	22.1
[illegible]	[illegible]	Man Utd	560	[illegible]	19.5	4.4	∞
[illegible]	[illegible]	Owners Abrd	[illegible]	-2	3.5	5.0	7.0
[illegible]	[illegible]	The Pelican Gp	[illegible]	...	...	2.1	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Prism Leisure	143	...	...	2.9	13.5
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	...	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	Radio Clyde	[illegible]	...	...	3.3	25.2
[illegible]	[illegible]	Ramsdens (H)	[illegible]	...	...	2.8	26.8
[illegible]	[illegible]	Scot TV	425	...	9.0	2.9	21.1
[illegible]	[illegible]	Southern Radio	[illegible]	...	0.7	1.7	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Stanley Leisure	[illegible]	...	4.3	2.4	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	...	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	...	3.5	3.6	14.0
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	...	...	0.5	19.9
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	...	...	...	...	...
[illegible]	54	Tottenham Hot	[illegible]	...	...	...	3.5
[illegible]	44	Trans World	[illegible]	...	...	[illegible]	21.5
[illegible]	[illegible]	Ulster TV	[illegible]	...	10.0	2.6	14.6
[illegible]	[illegible]	Vardon	[illegible]	+1	0.7	0.9	24.6
[illegible]	[illegible]	Wembley	19	...	0.2	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	Windgate	45	...	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	Yorkshire TV	195	-5	12.0	7.6	6.0
[illegible]	[illegible]	Zetters Gp	116	...	9.0	9.6	13.1

MINING

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
5730	1500	Am Gold	5200	...	...	2.9	26.4
[illegible]	[illegible]	Ang Am Coal	1606½	-37½	...	5.6	8.5
[illegible]	[illegible]	Ang Am	[illegible]	-62½	...	3.0	19.8
[illegible]	[illegible]	Anglo Pac Res	[illegible]	...	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	...	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	Bracken	46	...	...	...	∞
[illegible]	[illegible]	Buffels	747	+16	...	6.5	6.5
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	...	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	CRA	686	-1	...	2.9	23.5
[illegible]	[illegible]	Coal Res	[illegible]	...	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	De Beers	1387½	...	...	3.5	19.1
[illegible]	[illegible]	Deelkraal	[illegible]	-4	...	1.6	14.3
[illegible]	[illegible]	Doornfontein	[illegible]	-4	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	Driefontein	519	-9	...	3.6	16.2
[illegible]	[illegible]	Durban	571	-5	...	...	...
[illegible]	47	E Rand Gold	140	...	...	...	8.6
[illegible]	54	E Rand Prop	[illegible]	-8	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	Elandsrand	455	-5	...	2.6	11.5
[illegible]	[illegible]	FS Cons	732	+17	...	5.1	12.2
[illegible]	5	FS Dev	60	+1	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	GFSA	1368	...	...	2.9	34.0
[illegible]	[illegible]	Gencor	151	-1	...	5.8	12.4
[illegible]	[illegible]	GM Kalgoorli	52	-3	...	2.6	21.2
[illegible]	[illegible]	Greenwich R 'A'	15½	...	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	Grootvlei	141	-1	...	7.1	9.8
[illegible]	[illegible]	Harmony	319	-10	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	Hartebst	369	-20	...	5.1	14.7
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	15½	...	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	Impala Plat	738	...	...	3.9	25.4
[illegible]	[illegible]	Kenmare Res	9	-½	...	...	...
[illegible]	[illegible]	Kinross	457	...	...	6.1	∞
[illegible]	[illegible]	Kloof	705	-20	...	3.0	9.9
[illegible]	[illegible]	Leslie	106	...	...	10.3	∞
239	[illegible]	Loraine	238	-13	...	...	...
540	[illegible]	Lydenburg	825	...	...	2.4	∞
[illegible]	90	MIM	93½	+2	...	2.4	45.4
[illegible]	[illegible]	Minorco	[illegible]	-13	...	3.2	14.5
141	91	Nth Brkn Hill	138	-½	...	3.5	22.7
2287½	612½	Orange Free	2250	+25	...	5.6	18.2
746	607	RTZ	679	-12	...	3.9	18.8
677½	423	Rand Mines	581½	...	...	7.5	∞
671	150	Randfontein	638	+21	...	4.4	9.6
192	115	Renison	170	+6	...	2.6	17.6
1200	850	Rustnbrg	1087½	+12½	...	3.0	∞
609	191	St Helena	609	+13	...	3.9	13.0
2168	475	Southvaal	1955	+82	...	2.9	35.?
219	[illegible]	Stilfontein	74	...	...	8.4	13.4
201	58	Unisel	120	...	...	5.5	∞
6075	1800	Vaal Reefs	5962½	+37½	...	3.6	10.8
584	154	Welkom	584	+9	...	5.6	18.3
477	26	Western Areas	477	+47	...	1.0	15.2
2512½	587½	Western Deep	2487½	+9½	...	2.5	12.1
293	176	Wstn Mining	247½	+4½	...	1.9	∞
1029	323	Winkels	890	+16	...	4.3	∞
84	56	Zambia Copper	68	...	...	...	...
68	18	Zandpan	55	...	...	5.5	18.6

MOTORS, AIRCRAFT

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
258	233	Abbey Panels	238	...	...	...	...
135	95	Airflow Stream	130	...	3.0	2.9	12.4
153	78	Appleyard	130	...	...	5.0	...
335	203	Bletchley Mtr	315	...	...	3.5	16.0
192	120	Bostrom	190 †	...	6.0	3.9	33.6
468	165	Br Aerospace	410	+1	7.0	2.1	...
52	19½	Burndene	50	...	...	3.0	13.3
388	303	Caffyns	378	...	11.5	3.8	76.5
15	4½	Caverdale	14½	...	...	...	...
143	98	Central Mtr▲	134	...	...	3.7	34.1
29	18	Cook (DC)▲	25	...	...	3.0	14.2
267	156	Cowie (T)	246	-1	6.2	3.2	18.7
141	86	Dag Motors	138	...	5.7	5.2	24.9
155	102½	Davnprt Vern	154	...	...	3.3	19.5
330	155	ERF	328	...	2.0	0.8	...
145	92	European Mtr	134	-1	...	3.3	18.8
404	208	Evans Halshaw	403	...	11.8	3.5	62.1
290	223	FR Group	238	...	...	3.8	11.0
3931½	2843½	Ford Motor	3906¼	+12½	...	...	...
3312½	2143½	General Mtr	3062½	+25	...	1.7	...
75	38	Gowrings	56	-1	2.0	4.5	...
247	85	Henlys	229	...	3.0	1.6	...
1024	650	Honda Motor	1006	-18	...	0.9	...
30	15	Jacks (Wm)	25	...	...	...	...
108	66	Jessups	98	...	4.5	5.7	...
173	97	Kwik-Fit	167½	+2½	...	2.5	23.7
420	281	Lex Service	387	...	...	3.4	21.2
164	85	Lookers	150	...	6.2	5.2	...
175	126	Lucas	168 †	-1	...	5.2	...
27	21	Malaya Grp	23½	...	...	...	...
284	224½	Pendragon	260	...	...	3.2	21.4
190	101½	Perry Gp	170	...	...	5.2	...
190	108	Quicks Group	167	-1	...	3.4	21.3
160	96½	Rolls-Royce	159½	+1½	...	4.2	...
223	164	T & N	185	...	...	7.3	26.3
236	163	Trinity Hldgs	234	+1	...	3.0	21.7
175	125	Vardy (Reg)	172	...	...	3.1	24.0
253	121	Westland	216	-4	4.2	2.5	19.1

NEWS, PUBLISHERS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
195	103	Adscene	191	...	5.0	3.3	19.6
360	315	Black (A&C)	353 †	...	13.5	4.8	14.5
608	290	Blenheim Gp	325 †	...	...	3.5	12.1
370	275	Bristol	349	...	...	4.2	31.5
£102	7775	Daily Mail	9225	...	13.0	1.8	30.8
£101½	7700	Daily Mail 'A'	9200	...	13.0	1.8	20.7
355	251	Dorling Kind	351 †	...	3.3	1.2	∞
373	322	EMAP	340	+2	...	2.9	21.0
1138	873	Euromoney Pb	1138	...	29.5	3.2	25.6
264	170	Harrington K	220	...	4.5	2.6	16.0
468	373	Haynes Pub	458	...	...	2.2	17.2
393	343	Hodder H'line	399	...	4.5	1.6	30.5
140	99	Home Counts	115	-5	6.0	...	...
151	30	Intl Bus Comm	135	-2	...	...	19.5
14	6½	Int Cm & Data▲	13	...	...	...	...
395	240	Independent	375	...	...	3.1	20.2
580	395	Johnston Press	575	...	6.2	1.4	24.9
321	243	Metal Bulletin	321	...	8.0	3.1	22.7
186	88	Mirror Gp	166	+1	...	...	...
515	297	News Corp	506	+10	...	0.3	...
301	169	News Intl	301	+2	...	0.6	18.5
563	354	Pearson	563	+7	...	2.7	30.6
675	510	Portsmth Sund	616	-2	...	1.9	17.0
763	618	Reed Int	763	+10	...	2.8	33.2
153	98	Southnews	153	...	...	1.7	28.3
171	90	Sterling Pubs	165	...	...	2.3	18.2
423	328	Telegraph	385	...	...	3.6	16.2
825	715	Thomson Corp	815	...	...	1.9	40.7
395	313	Trinity Intl	364	...	8.7	3.0	21.8
39	27	Unit Groupe	31	-3	...	...	...
593½	480½	Utd Nwspaprs	550	+9	...	4.9	15.3

OILS, GAS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
37	17	Aran Energy	34	...	...	...	33.1
61	37	Arcon Indla	42	...	...	...	...
71	41½	Aus Oil & Gas	64	+1	...	...	...
83	26	Aviva Pet	75	+2	...	...	...
16	9	Beverley	9½	...	...	...	...
215	145	Br Borneo	212	...	7.1	4.2	6.4
339½	276	British Gas	338 †	+9½	14.2	5.3	16.3
346½	225	Br Petroleum	344	+4½	8.4	3.1	27.0
1½	1	Bula Resources	1½	...	...	...	...
821	675	Burmah Castrl	775	...	...	4.1	18.1
68	32	Cairn Energy	62	...	...	...	8.9
287	223	Calor Gp	278	...	...	5.5	14.8
60½	32½	Clyde Pet	50	-½	...	...	...
44	27	Copley Res	38	+1	...	...	...
22½	10½	Edin Oil & Gas	17½	...	...	...	...
521	397	Enterprise	500	-3	16.0	4.0	27.5
88	32	Exp Co Louis	37	-1	...	...	...
34½	18½	Fairhaven Intl	27½	-½	...	2.2	8.6
10½	4	Fortune	4½	...	...	...	...
67	45	Goal Pet	64	-½	1.4	2.7	12.2
48	18	Cl Western Res	42	...	...	...	...
180	104½	Hardy O & G	180	...	...	0.7	16.7
40	18½	Kelt Energy	43	...	...	...	...
195	128	LASMO	140½	+3	...	2.9	28.5
103	63	-do- Units	73	...	9.4	16.2	...
24	5½	Mid Scot Res▲	8½	...	...	...	...
86	34	Monument	55½	-½	...	...	...
9½	4	New London	4½	...	...	...	...
71	21	Nth Sea Assets	21	...	1.0	4.6	9.3
56	27	Oil Search	34	...	...	...	...
19½	11½	Petroz	17½	...	...	...	...
144	60	Pict Pet	136	+2	...	...	∞
29½	15	Premier	25½	+½	...	...	9.3
115	50	Presidio	113	...	...	5.9	...
[illegible]	290	Ranger	370	...	...	4.4	...
7187½	5150	Royal Dtch Fl	6975	-112½	...	4.4	17.3
4500	3600	Schlumberger	4287½	-84½	...	1.9	...
67	47	Seafield	55	...	...	...	...
709½	515	Shell	706	...	21.9	3.9	21.7
207	173	Sunrise Eng Sv	176	...	...	...	...
41	19	Triton Europe	19	...	...	...	...
17½	6	Villiers Grp	14	...	...	...	...
194	135	Woodside	184	+3	...	1.9	...

PAPER, PRINT, ADVTG

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
144	120	AG Holdings	144	...	...	4.6	13.0
331	249	API	330	...	7.5	2.8	28.7
279	144	Arjo Wiggins	216	-3	...	3.8	34.9
543	405	Abbott Mead	542 †	...	9.3	2.1	28.5
40	13	Aegis Gp	21	-½	...	...	...
212	118	Aspen Comns▲	129	...	...	4.7	11.7
13	7	BBB Design▲	12½	-½	...	...	...
405	234½	Bemrose	392	...	...	3.7	17.1
30½	8½	Birkdale	9 †	...	...	...	...
155	118	Bunzl	145	-2	4.0	3.4	21.9
344	257	CIA Gp	343	...	...	1.6	21.7
330	95	Capital Inds	177	...	...	2.3	16.9
79	41	City of Lon▲	76	...	...	6.3	14.0
240	169	Cropper (James)	246	...	3.1	1.6	23.8
6	6	Crown Coms▲	6 #	...	...	...	...
95	51	Delyn Pckaging	87 †	...	1.6	2.4	11.7
139	94	Dolphin Pack	119	-1	4.5	4.7	20.4
87	42	Dudley Jenkins▲	72	...	...	5.4	16.4
15½	11	Elswick	11½	...	...	3.2	13.1
73	41	Fairway Group▲	65	...	3.1	6.1	19.2
340	271	Ferguson Ind	334	+1	...	4.7	14.9
108	92	Ferry Pick	105	...	...	6.7	28.3
152	74	Filofax▲	146	...	...	1.1	18.9
32	11	Firth	14	...	...	...	...
130	69	Gibbon Lyons▲	129	+4	...	4.8	14.6
238	208	Gold Greenless	209	...	8.3	5.0	14.9
41	20	Goodhead	20	...	0.5	3.1	...
59	35	Hunterprint	39	...	...	...	...
195	136	Intereurope	172	...	7.8	5.7	∞
271	191	Jarvis Porter	270	+1	...	2.2	25.2
32	15½	Lopex	26	...	...	...	...
38½	26	MMT	38	...	...	...	...
336	175	More O'Ferrall	335	...	13.2	4.9	40.1
133	48	NMC Group	121	-1	2.0	2.1	18.7
173	60	Osborne & Little	172	...	...	3.3	18.9
[illegible]	455	Portals	501	...	...	3.7	17.1
3	½	Premier Hlth	2½	...	...	...	...
286	159	Quarto	283	...	...	2.4	17.4
347	287	St Ives Gp	291 †	...	5.5	2.4	∞
195½	142½	Saatchi	183	...	...	...	...
474	292	Sappi	336	-54	...	9.8	6.4
32	11½	Serif▲	29½	...	...	...	...
37½	14	Shandwick	30	+1½	...	...	...
397	294	Smith David	354	+4	...	3.5	18.6
295	206	Smurfit (Jeff)	221	-1	...	1.9	5.3
70	45	Sonic	66	...	1.5	2.8	27.1
246	183	Sta-Plus	215	-1	8.0	4.7	19.2
28½	16½	Taylor Nelson	29½	+½	0.3	1.3	23.6
85	38	VTR▲	83	...	...	5.1	23.6
106	40	WPP	100	+1½	...	1.2	3.8
179	62	Wace	177	...	...	...	...
268	203	Waddington (J)	259	...	...	3.8	19.4
803	540	Watmough	802	...	11.5	1.8	31.5
7	4½	Westport▲	5	...	...	...	...
34	12	Whitney Mck▲	18	...	...	...	...
82	55	Wood (SW)	78	...	...	2.0	16.7

PROPERTY

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
116	41	Allied Lon	113	-3	...	4.0	28.0
65	58	Arcadian	60	...	...	...	...
16½	4½	Ascot Hldgs	5½	...	...	...	...
129	52	Asda	128	...	...	2.1	13.5
152	88	Avonside	143	...	4.0	3.5	20.0
2537½	2062½	BCE▲	2300	+50	...	...	...
655	396	Bilton	651 †	+3	18.9	3.6	23.5
110	23	Bourne End	88	...	1.0	1.4	...
224	150	Bradford	218	...	5.4	3.1	22.1
23	5	Bredero	16	...	...	...	...
427	166½	Br Land	414	-2	...	2.1	37.7
244	140½	Brixton	243	+4	...	4.3	19.2
86	42	Burford	86	+2	...	1.7	...
187	99	Cap & Regnl▲	184 †	...	...	0.7	...
230	120	Cardiff Prop	230	...	2.4	1.3	...
540	196	Chesterfield	538	...	11.0	2.6	38.2
43	12	City Site Ests	38	...	...	...	...
28	12	Clarke Nickolls	28	...	...	...	...
53	34	Conrad Rblat GS	47	...	...	...	...
1276	818	Daejan	1275	...	...	2.6	15.7
3½	1½	Dares Estates	2	...	...	...	...
129	53	Debenham Twn	122	-2	...	3.1	23.8
12	4	De Morgan	8	...	...	...	...
175	76	Dencora	174	...	3.0	2.2	...
628	263	Derwent Hldgs	628 †	...	8.6	1.7	78.3
45	10	Development Sec	40½	...	...	...	...
55	25	Dwyer	54½	...	...	...	...
360	170	Estates Agency	360	...	3.0	...	33.0
27	7½	Estates Gen	21	...	...	...	...
215	132	Evans Of Leeds	214	+4	...	2.7	18.9
35½	11	Five Oaks	34½	-½	...	...	...
64	30	Fletcher King	63	...	1.0	2.0	41.7
484	276½	Frogmore	484	+2	...	4.1	23.3
200	97	Grainger	191	...	5.2	3.4	42.7
233	116½	Gr Portland	226	+4	...	4.4	21.6
33	7½	Greycoat	31½	-1	...	...	...
170	101	HK Land	165	-2	...	3.8	28.7
84	35	Hambro Cntyw	73	...	0.5	0.8	...
422	257½	Hammerson	422	...	10.0	3.0	42.7
663	245	-do- 'A'	385	+5	10.0	3.2	39.0
258	127	Helical Bar	258	+1	...	2.3	9.3
37	19	Hemingway	36	...	...	...	...
132	56	Herring Baker	63	...	3.7	...	15.8
153	133	Jermyn	138	...	...	...	...
729	435	Land Sec	728	+8	22.8	3.9	21.9
111	73	Lon Merch Sec	108	...	4.0	4.6	16.8
4½	1½	Lon & Metro	3½	...	...	...	...
534	315½	MEPC	534	+13	...	4.7	23.0
9	5	McInerney A	7½	...	...	...	...
140	90	McKay Secs	140	...	3.5	3.1	19.2
7½	3	Markheath	5½	...	0.5	...	...
56	12	Merivale Mre	56	...	...	...	...
5	5	Merlin Intl	5 #	...	...	...	...
48	29	Moorfield Est	48	...	...	...	...
1300	775	Mountview	1270	+70	30.0	2.0	12.6
169	112	Mucklow (A&J)	167	+2	...	4.7	25.5
46	30	Olives Prop	38	...	1.5	4.9	...
10½	3½	Ossory Est	5½	+½	0.1	...	1.5
172	88	PSIT	168	...	4.1	3.1	33.3
350	138	Peel	350	+7	4.0	1.4	...
16	5	Power Corp	5½	...	...	...	...
48	22	Property Trust	37	...	...	...	10.6
75	42	Raglan	45	-1	...	...	...
29	11	Regalian	23	...	...	...	...
135	110	Rowlinson Secs	125	...	1.5	1.5	33.2
63	16	St Modwen Prp	49	...	0.6	1.5	37.3
76	39	Savills	74	...	...	1.7	29.3
113	34	Scot Met	112	...	1.5	...	...
114	39	Shaftesbury	114	...	...	...	...
15½	5	Shield	11½	...	...	...	6.0
272	139½	Slough Estates	261	+3	...	3.9	18.3
85	56	Southend Prop	85	...	...	3.5	...
39	16	Stanhope Prps▲	38	...	...	...	...
223	114	Tops Ests	223	...	2.1	1.2	79.5
137	79	Town Centre	135	...	3.4	3.2	∞
93	43	Trafford Park	93	+8	...	3.8	21.4
56	17	UK Land	34	...	...	...	...
12	4	Union Square	8	...	...	...	...
258	180	Warner	255	+5	10.5	3.1	23.3
218	168	Warnford	216	...	7.5	4.3	15.8
8	2	Waterglade	2½	...	...	...	...
90	34	Wates	87	+1	0.7	...	...
76	40	Wood John Da	73	...	...	...	...

SHOES, LEATHER

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
18	11	Automagic▲	13	...	...	...	...
183	84	Headlam	174	...	...	1.9	39.3
500	315	Lambert	335	...	13.0	4.9	8.2
100	44	Pittards	55	...	2.0	...	15.7
30	20	Strong & Fisher	25	...	1.0	5.0	7.0
197	89	Stylo	197	+6	...	1.9	75.4
66	53	UK Safety	64	...	...	5.2	2.1

TEXTILES

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
516	408	Allied Text	496	...	12.6	3.2	15.9
69	54	Beckman (A)	58 †	...	3.5	7.7	∞
41	21	Bolton Gp	35	...	...	...	17.8
170	141	Br Mohair	165	...	8.5	6.4	15.5
53	15	Chartwell▲	38	...	...	...	...
364	298	Claremont Ga	347	...	7.2	2.6	21.7
601	522	Courtauld Text	542	+7	13.6	3.1	14.8
53½	24½	Cupid▲	29	...	...	...	...
248½	188	Dawson	193	-1	...	5.8	14.7
47	22	Drummond	40	...	...	...	...
82	65	Faupel▲	82	...	...	7.5	12.7
34	15	Foster (John)	19	...	...	...	...
133	82	Gaskell	121	...	4.2	4.4	...
223	156	Hicking Pnest	220	...	...	2.3	17.1
90	45	Jerome (S)	68	...	...	0.4	...
406	249	Lamont	406	+11	12.0	3.7	26.6
515	353½	Leeds	499	...	...	1.8	24.1
64	15	Lister	51	...	0.1	0.2	...
122	73	Lyles (S)	84	...	...	4.9	...
200	89	Magellan	198	...	1.4	0.9	...
221	69	Parkland 'A'	221	+48	2.0	1.1	...
102½	82	Readicut	98	+½	...	4.4	18.5
66	35	SEET	55	...	...	...	...
147	72	Sirdar	136 †	...	...	4.9	9.4
74	44	Sirling Gp	71	...	1.8	3.3	17.4
51	37	Stoddard	42	...	...	4.5	39.1
312	250	Tomkinsons	299	...	11.5	4.8	25.8
67½	32½	West Trust	37	-1	2.5	8.4	∞
209	126	Yorklyde	209	+28	...	3.1	15.6

TOBACCOS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
507	407	BAT	488	+4	...	4.8	14.6
743	584½	Rothmans 'B'	621	+24	11.5	2.3	12.3

TRANSPORT

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
496	349	Assoc Br Ports	496	+8	...	2.1	...
898	707	BAA	893	-2	...	2.2	22.2
386	249	Br Airways	386	...	...	3.4	21.2
110	56	Clarkson (H)	98 †	+2	1.5	1.9	...
23	23	Davies Newman	23 #	...	...	...	...
515	332	Eurotunnel Uts	471	-3	...	...	...
82	44	Fisher (James)	80	...	1.0	1.6	21.5
211	147	IoM Steam	206	...	...	4.9	10.8
38	24	Jacobs (JI)	36	...	0.5	1.7	...
101	41	Lon O'Seas Frts	99	...	...	1.3	18.1
400	264	Mersey Docks	398 †	...	...	2.8	27.1
271	181	Natl Express	244	...	...	3.6	25.2
284	230	NFC	275	+5	6.5	3.0	20.9
343	244	Ocean Group	340	+2	...	5.3	...
73	40	Ocean Wilson	68	+2	4.0	7.4	12.3
676	504	P & O Dfd	580	...	...	6.6	31.5
194	127	P & O 5 1/2%	192	+1	...	3.6	...
589	448	Powell Duffryn	589	+10	...	4.8	22.8
207	117	Seacon▲	207	+7	...	3.1	13.0
163	112	Stagecoach	153	+4	...	3.1	∞
70	31½	TNT	70	+2½	...	...	...
773	634	Tibbet & Britn	715	...	11.8	2.1	27.4
382	116	Tiphook	123	-2	...	19.6	...
298	227	TDG	266	+3	...	4.5	8.8

WATER

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
565	455	Anglian Water	550	...	...	4.8	11.2
347	244	Mid Kent Hldgs	347	...	...	3.8	12.8
698	547	Northumbrian	673	...	...	4.2	6.9
567	431½	North West	554	-5	...	4.8	9.9
578	439	Severn Trent	559½	-7½	...	4.7	9.0
617	454	Sthrn Water	590	-6	...	4.4	10.0
1605	1225	Sth Staffs	1525	...	47.0	3.9	10.9
622	465	South West	604	+1	...	4.9	9.9
584	454	Thames Water	566	-4	...	4.6	11.1
663	506	Welsh Water	657	+7	...	4.5	8.8
693	536	Wessex Water	665	-9	...	4.0	10.0
593	473½	Yorkshire W	579	-1	...	4.6	9.8

Source: Finstat

▲ USM; # Price at suspension; † Ex dividend; ‡ Ex scrip; † Ex rights issue; ‡ Ex all; § Ex capital distribution; ∞ Figures or report awaited; ... No significant data.

BRITISH FUNDS

1993 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
		SHORTS (under 5 years)				
106¼	100¼	Treas 13¼% 1993	100¼ †	...	13.65	5.58
102¾	100¾	Treas 8¾% 1994	100¾	-¼	8.43	5.49
109¼	103¼	Treas 14½% 1994	103¼	-¼	14.04	5.35
109¼	104¾	Exch 13½% 1994	104⅛ †	...	12.96	5.28
105¾	102½	Treas 10% 1994	102½	...	9.72	5.28
110¾	105⅛	Exch 12½% 1994	105⅛	...	11.81	5.32
105⅜	103½	Treas 9% 1994	103⅛ †	...	8.67	5.21
111⅛	107½	Treas 12% 1995	108	...	11.11	5.25
97¼	94	Gas 3% 1990-95	97¼ †	...	3.07	4.55
109½	107⅛	Exch 10¼% 1995	108⅛	+⅛	9.49	5.32
116¼	113½	Treas 12¾% 1995	114⅛ †	+⅛	11.18	5.44
123	117⅛	Treas 14% 1996	117½	+⅛	11.91	5.54
125½	121½	Treas 15¼% 1996	122⅞ †	+⅛	12.46	5.61
120½	115½	Exch 13¼% 1996	117⅛	+⅛	11.23	5.62
112⅛	108½	Conv 10% 1996	111½ †	+⅛	8.95	5.72
122½	118½	Treas 13¼% 1997	121⅛	+⅛	10.93	5.89
114⅛	110⅛	Exch 10½% 1997	113⅛	+⅛	9.23	5.85
109½	108½	Treas 8¾% 1997	109½	+⅛	7.98	5.89
132⅛	127⅛	Exch 15% 1997	131⅛ †	+⅛	11.45	6.13
113⅛	109½	Exch 9¾% 1998	113⅛	+⅛	8.61	6.10
104⅛	99⅛	Treas 7¼% 1998	104⅛	+⅛	6.92	6.00
101½	97⅛	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	101½ †	+⅛	6.64	5.61
129⅛	125⅛	Treas 14% 1998-01	129⅛ †	+⅛	10.81	6.43
		MEDIUMS (5 to 15 years)				
138⅛	133⅛	Treas 15½% 1998	138⅛	+⅛	11.19	6.29
126	118½	Exch 12% 1998	124 †	+⅛	9.68	6.37
113⅛	108⅛	Treas 9½% 1999	113⅛	+⅛	8.35	6.32
126⅛	120⅛	Exch 12¼% 1999	126⅛	+⅛	9.72	6.46
118⅛	112⅛	Treas 10½% 1999	118⅛	+⅛	8.83	6.39
118½	112⅛	Conv 10¼% 1999	118½ †	+⅛	8.62	6.43
113⅛	106	Conv 9% 2000	113⅛	+⅛	7.94	6.39
133½	125½	Treas 13% 2000	133½	+⅛	9.73	6.68
119⅛	109⅛	Treas 10% 2001	119⅛	+⅛	8.40	6.64
119⅛	108⅛	Treas 9¾% 2002	119⅛	+⅛	8.17	6.79
109⅛	97⅛	Treas 8% 2003	108⅛	+⅛	7.34	6.71
123⅛	109⅛	Treas 10% 2003	122⅛	+⅛	8.18	6.86
126½	116½	Treas 11½% 2001-04	126⅛	+⅛	9.12	6.93
81⅛	67⅛	Fund 3½% 1999-04	81⅛	+⅛	4.30	5.86
119⅛	105⅛	Conv 9½% 2004	119⅛ †	+⅛	7.94	6.93
120⅛	105⅛	Conv 9½% 2005	119⅛	+⅛	7.92	6.94
137⅛	124⅛	Treas 12½% 2003-05	137⅛ †	+⅛	9.08	7.17
107⅛	94⅛	Treas 8% 2002-06	106⅛	+⅛	7.48	6.93
131	118⅛	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	130⅛	+⅛	8.98	7.12
112½	97⅛	Treas 8½% 2007	112½	+⅛	7.55	7.04
146⅛	131⅛	Treas 13½% 2004-08	145⅛	+⅛	9.25	7.16
		LONGS (over 15 years)				
117½	101½	Treas 9% 2008	117½	+⅛	7.65	7.06
108⅛	92⅛	Treas 8% 2009	108½	-⅛	7.37	7.09
118½	100½	Conv 9% 2011	118½	-⅛	7.59	7.13
119⅛	100⅛	Treas 9% 2012	119½	-⅛	7.56	7.13
87½	70½	Treas 5½% 2008-12	87⅛	-⅛	6.30	6.67
107⅛	89⅛	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	107⅛	-⅛	7.21	7.04
109⅛	93⅛	Treas 8% 2013	109½	-⅛	7.32	7.12
149⅛	125⅛	Exch 12% 2013-17	149½	-⅛	8.03	7.28
116½	97⅛	Treas 8¾% 2017	118½	-⅛	7.38	7.10
		UNDATED				
49½	38½	War Ln 3½%	49⅛	+⅛	7.12	...
34½	27⅛	Treas 2½%	34½	-⅛	7.33	...
		INDEX-LINKED				
135⅛	131½	Treas IL 2% 1994	135⅛ †	+⅛	...	...
205⅛	194⅛	Treas IL 2% 1996	203½	+⅛	1.05	1.99
112⅛	105⅛	Treas IL 4⅝% 1998	112½ †	+⅛	1.51	2.18
171½	159	Treas IL 2½% 2001	171½	+⅛	2.47	2.86
168½	155	Treas IL 2½% 2003	168½ †	+⅛	2.63	2.95
115½	105½	Treas IL 4⅜% 2004	115½ †	+⅛	2.65	2.96
178⅛	159½	Treas IL 2% 2006	178⅛	+⅛	2.69	2.93
163	144	Treas IL 2½% 2009	163 †	+⅛	2.85	3.06
169⅛	148⅛	Treas IL 2½% 2011	169⅛	+⅛	2.90	3.09
140½	122⅛	Treas IL 2½% 2013	140½	+⅛	2.94	3.12
151½	130⅛	Treas IL 2½% 2016	151½	+⅛	2.97	3.14
146⅛	124⅛	Treas IL 2½% 2020	146½	-⅛	3.02	3.16
123½	102½	Treas IL 2½% 2024	123½	...	3.01	3.14
123⅛	103½	Treas IL 4⅛% 2030	123½	...	3.03	3.16

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Sutherland negotiations with Japan deadlocked

FROM A CORRESPONDENT IN TOKYO

PETER Sutherland, the director-general of Gatt, met Japanese leaders and the head of the country's most powerful farmers' union in an effort to reach a world trade agreement by the end of the year. No progress was made, however.

"It is extremely difficult for Japan to accept [Gatt's] comprehensive tariffication plan," Morihiro Hosokawa, the prime minister, was quoted by Japanese officials as telling Mr Sutherland, who was reported to have replied: "December 15 is an absolute deadline to conclude [the Uruguay Round talks]. I really hope Japan will accept the tariff plan and take the initiative to make the round a success."

Mr Sutherland, who is in Tokyo until Saturday, has a full schedule of meetings with ministers, politicians, businessmen and farmers. In his first set of discussions, he and his hosts both seemed to be repeating different refrains.

The Gatt chief's agenda is dominated by the vexed issue of Japan's closed rice market, a key obstacle in concluding the trade talks. The marathon negotiations, which cover 15 areas, ranging from services to textiles, aim to replace all non-tariff farm trade barriers with tariffs.

Japan enforces a total ban on commercial imports of rice, on national security grounds, and has insisted that its staple grain be exempted from an agreement. Politically powerful farmers have long been cushioned by the ban and by heavy state subsidies, forcing Japanese consumers to pay some of the highest rice prices in the world.

"As farmers in the world's largest net food importer nation, we cannot accept a tariffication plan without any exceptions," Yoshiharu Sato, president of the Central Union of Agricultural Co-operatives (Zenchu), Japan's largest farm union, was quoted as telling Mr Sutherland.

Mr Sutherland sees no way to conclude the Uruguay Round without a comprehensive tariff system.

"Their discussion went on parallel lines," a Zenchu spokesman told reporters. "This was obvious to both sides before they even started. In fact, it wasn't really even a discussion."

Japan announced last month that it would import 200,000 tonnes of rice this year, and more next year, to cope with its worst post-war rice harvest. It emphasised that the decision was an emergency measure and did not signify a weakening of its policy.

Mr Sutherland later met Eijiro Hata, the farm minister, who told him that Japan's call for a revision of the draft Gatt package should be taken just as seriously as would be a European Community demand to renegotiate the Blair House farm deal with the US.

"It was like exchanging jabs in the first stage of a boxing match," one agriculture ministry official said of the Hata-Sutherland talks. "I guess the second round will have to take place in Geneva."



Peter Sutherland, the Gatt director-general, left, with Morihiro Hosokawa, the Japanese prime minister

Gold is no longer a game for two

BY COLIN CAMPBELL, MINING CORRESPONDENT

GOLD, whatever its price, will always fascinate.

Benjamin Disraeli once informed the House of Commons that "more men have been knocked off balance by gold than by love".

In 1968, Timothy Green first published *The World of Gold*, which became a best seller and has since been translated into several languages. Mr Green has now recast his 1968 classic in the manner in which a refinery might recast an ingot. The basic ingredients are the same, but the outcome is more polished.

Published this week (Rosendale Press, London, £21) is the 1993 version of *The World of Gold* — rewritten and expanded, and without loss of detail of gold's role since the time of King Croesus.

The 1993 version embraces all the important events, the new mines, and the new players of the past quarter century — including George Soros, derivatives, the European Monetary Co-operation Fund, Uzbekistan, and Sir James Goldsmith.

In 1968, the world of gold was largely confined to South Africa and the Soviet Union, and was traded only in sociable time zones. Today, gold is a 24-hour, seven-day a week business, and is searched for and mined wherever geologists believe it lies — be it China, Turkey or Papua New Guinea.

If yesterday's investors were the ultra-wealthy who dealt in ingots, today it is the mega-dollar commodity funds with positions in derivatives that are increasingly assuming market dominance, and it is a market in which smaller investors with perhaps only one gold coin also play a part.

The ranks of the grand old mining houses such as Anglo American and Gold Fields of South Africa have been swelled by a host of newcomers.

Ahead of the next run to $400 an ounce, which analysts believe may not be long in coming, *The World of Gold* is recommended.

Crest cuts borrowings with property sales

BY CARL MORTISHED

CREST Nicholson, the housebuilder, has made a substantial cut in its borrowings with the £27.6 million sale of four commercial properties.

The company, which reduced its loss to £10,000 for the half year, had borrowings of £64 million at the end of April. John Calcutt, the chief executive, said that the company had only two remaining buildings to let and sell.

According to Richard Ellis, the surveyor, rents in central London are stabilising after three years of rapid decline. Top rental value norms were unchanged since the end of June at £40 per sq ft in the West End, £30 in the City, and £26 in Holborn.

Richard Ellis reports a fall in the supply of London office space to 21.8 million sq ft from 25.3 million, a year ago.

Over the past three months, the supply of completed developments fell from 8 million sq ft to 6 million sq ft, reducing the vacancy rate from 14 per cent to 12 per cent.

Canadian Overseas Packaging Industries Limited

(Incorporated under the laws of Canada)

NOTICE OF THE THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Thirty-second Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Canadian Overseas Packaging Industries Limited will be held at Suite 4000, 1 Place Ville Marie, Montreal, Quebec H3B 4M4, Canada on Tuesday the 30th day of November 1993 at 11.00 am for the following purposes:

1. to receive and consider the report of the Directors and the consolidated financial statements of the Corporation and its subsidiaries for the year ended June 30, 1993 together with the report of the Auditors thereon;
2. to elect the Directors;
3. to appoint Auditors and to authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration;
4. to consider and, if deemed fit, to confirm By-law 1993-1 of the Bye-laws of the Corporation, enacted by the Board of Directors, increasing the maximum number of Directors from 12 to 15; and;
5. to transact such other business as may be transacted at an Annual Meeting.

Shareholders who are unable to attend the foregoing Meeting are requested to complete and return the enclosed form of proxy to the address stated thereon at least 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of the said Meeting.

DECLARATION OF DIVIDEND

The Directors have declared the following dividend payable to Shareholders registered at the close of business on November 19th 1993.

COMMON SHARES - DIVIDEND N° 35

57 Canadian cents per share for the year to June 30th, 1993. (The comparative figure for 1992 is 55 Canadian cents.)

The payment date for dividends is December 10 1993. The dividend will be paid in the customary currencies, related to the registered address of a Shareholder, in accordance with the bylaws of the Corporation

October 22, 1993

By Order of the Board
M.C.Johnson, Q.C.
Director and Secretary

DBrown to pay £11m for engineer

DAVID Brown Group, the engineer, is making its first big acquisition since its flotation on the stock market in April (Martin Barrow writes).

The company has conditionally agreed to buy the hydraulics and transmissions activities of Hamworthy Engineering from Powell Duffryn for £11.1 million. The sale involves net assets of £17.4 million.

David Brown is funding the acquisition by issuing 4.42 million new shares, raising £8.4 million, with the balance in cash. BZW, the broker, has agreed to place the new shares with institutions at 190p, subject to a clawback by existing shareholders. Existing shares rose 22p to 223p despite going ex-dividend yesterday. The shares were priced at 170p on flotation.

Towry Law issues prospectus

TOWRY Law, the independent financial adviser, has issued the pathfinder prospectus for its proposed flotation, asserting that the likely advent of the Personal Investment Authority would favour bigger and better funded companies (Martin Flanagan writes).

It said: "The expected implementation of capital adequacy requirements for independent financial advisers, together with any changes in the timing of the payment of commission income by life and pensions companies, will be to the advantage of companies such as Towry Law." The placing price will be announced on November 4. In the last trading year, the company made £2.4 million pre-tax profits.

OTHER PHONES

OKI PHONES

Anyone who has used a portable phone will vouch for the fact the signal can often break up when you least expect it. Which, as you can see, makes communication very difficult. But OKI phones aren't like these inferior other phones. For example, other phones use cheaper silicon for their semi-conductors, instead of the more efficient, gallium arsenide. Nor do these other phones use gold plated centre pins for their coaxial connections.



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Fund	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
ABBEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 80 Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth BH8 8AL 0345 717373				
Masstrust	133.10	142.30	+0.30	1.31
International	105.00	111.70	-0.20	.45
Dividend Gth	62.25	66.22	+0.31	4.24
Global Gth Sec	63.93	68.01	+0.16	2.79
Ethical Growth	71.53	76.09	-0.34	2.39
High Inc Equity	165.80	176.30†	+0.90	4.46
Worldwide Bond	275.70	292.50	-0.40	3.59
Gilts Fixed Int	137.40	145.70†	-0.30	5.49
ABTRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 10 Queens Terrace, Aberdeen AB9 1QJ 0224 633070 Dealing: 0800 833580; 30 Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 7QQ 071 374 6801				
Amer Inc Gth	45.22	47.72†	-0.45	0.66
European	97.59	103.40	-0.03	...
European Inc	91.67	97.28	+0.04	1.54
Exempt	988.00	1037.7†	+1.80	3.68
Extra Inc	51.49	55.92†	+0.08	4.67
F East Emerg Ec	105.50	111.60	+0.45	0.58
ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS Allied Dunbar Centre, Swindon, SN1 1EL 0793 514514 Dealing: 0793 610366				
High Inc	422.10	451.20†	+3.20	3.50
Equity Inc	237.20	253.50	+1.50	3.46
High Yield	258.50	276.30†	+1.90	3.45
Balanced	695.80	743.80	+4.50	2.30
American Inc	51.64	55.20	-0.12	2.92
Wld Asset Val	45.56	48.70	-0.11	0.55
Japan	212.80	227.00	-3.70	0.01
Sect of Am	428.30	456.00	-0.80	0.55
AXA EQUITY & LAW St George's Hse, Corporation St, Coventry CV1 1RD. 0203 553231				
UK Growth Acc	346.70	368.90†	+0.50	2.49
-do- Inc	242.80	258.40†	+0.40	2.49
Higher Inc Acc	648.90	690.40†	+1.10	3.52
-do- Inc	387.50	412.70†	+0.70	3.52
Gilt/Fxd Int Acc	190.20	200.80†	+0.20	5.82
-do- Inc	97.22	102.60†	...	5.82
Nth America	263.40	280.30†	-0.80	...
Far East	343.90	365.90†	-1.60	0.05
Europe	263.50	280.40†	+0.30	0.79
General Inc	463.50	493.10†	+0.30	2.28
-do- Acc	514.00	546.90†	+0.30	2.28
Brit Excell	70.35	74.84	+0.07	2.51
Brit Fndmtls Inc	74.95	79.74†	-0.01	4.28
Brit Fndmtls Acc	98.70	105.00†	-0.10	4.28
Global Opps	82.77	88.06	-0.24	...
BANK OF IRELAND FUND MANAGERS 36 Queen St, London, EC4R 1BN 071 489 8673				
Brit O seas	279.50	294.20	+0.60	1.18
Capital Gwth	111.50	117.40	..	2.32
Worldwide Opps	176.40	185.70	...	0.51
BARCLAYS UNICORN LTD Gredley Hse, 1-11 Broadway, London E15 081 534 5544				
Capital	116.20	124.20	+0.50	2.68
Euro Gth Inc	133.20	141.30	+0.20	0.51
Extra Inc	116.40	124.50†	+0.50	4.20
General	265.70	284.20†	+1.20	2.66
Gilt Fxd Inc	62.37	64.46	+0.16	7.83
Income	534.30	571.50	+1.90	4.02
BARING FUND MANAGERS PO Box 156, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XQ 081 658 9002				
American Gth	97.08	103.00	-0.90	0.10
Amer Smllr Cos	130.50	139.40	-1.80	...
Convertibles	57.07	61.03†	+0.09	6.20
Eastern	236.00	254.70	-0.40	1.60
Equity Income	89.92	95.65†	-1.73	6.30
European Gth	271.90	288.80	-0.50	1.50
Europe	179.90	192.10	+0.70	1.50
Exempt	91.97	94.44	...	3.40
German Growth	72.77	77.47	-0.26	0.70
Global Growth	121.60	130.20	-0.20	...
Japan Growth	208.40	223.50	-2.00	...
Japan Sunrise	182.60	195.20	-2.80	...
Portfolio	131.50	140.50	+0.30	3.20
-do- Acc	236.40	252.70	+0.60	3.20
UK Growth	91.26	97.08	+0.18	2.80
UK Smaller Cos	92.19	98.59†	+0.04	1.90
Select Managers	71.95	76.98	+0.15	2.00
BRITANNIA LIFE UNIT MANAGERS LTD 198 West George St, Glasgow G2 2PA 041 332 3132				
Balan Gth Acc	114.59	122.56	+0.16	1.53
-do- Inc	103.52	110.71†	+0.15	1.55
Global Bond	31.53	33.45	+0.11	5.03
High Yield Acc	60.81	65.04	-0.22	3.22
-do- Inc	43.28	46.29†	+0.15	3.22
Smlr Cos Acc	104.79	112.08	+1.11	1.03
-do- Inc	96.32	103.01	+1.02	1.03
Amer Gth Acc	67.01	71.67	-0.75	...
-do- Inc	65.76	70.33	-0.74	...
Euro Gth Acc	121.48	129.92	+0.10	0.17
-do- Inc	119.21	127.50†	+0.10	0.17
Mngd P folio	40.48	43.30†	+0.01	1.18
Pacific Growth	120.48	128.86†	+0.23	...
Intl Spec Opps	107.85	115.35	+0.04	0.16
BROWN SHIPLEY 9/17 Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath 0444 458144				
Financial	147.30	156.90	+1.00	2.67
Smaller Cos Acc	336.00	362.80	+1.10	...
Smaller Cos Inc	195.40	211.10†	+0.70	1.02
High Inc	78.46	83.95†	+0.41	6.24
Income	134.10	143.50†	-0.30	3.83
Mngd P folio Inc	102.10	108.70	+0.30	1.83
-do- Acc	194.20	206.80	+0.50	...
North American	114.50	122.00	-1.20	0.18
Orient	140.20	151.10	-2.00	...
Recovery	46.89	50.41	+0.05	2.22
German	50.04	53.70	+0.15	0.07
Intl Growth	38.78	41.30†	-0.35	0.19
European Inc	24.84	26.71†	+0.01	0.42
BURRAGE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 117 Fenchurch St, London EC3M 5AL 071 480 7236				
Sht Gilt Fxd Int	69.04	69.98	+0.17	4.98
CIS UNIT MANAGERS LTD PO Box 105, Manchester M60 0AH 061 837 5060				
Environ	144.70	154.00	-0.10	1.51
UK Growth	160.10	170.40	+0.60	1.92
UK Income	133.20	141.80†	+0.40	3.97
CANNON LINCOLN FUND MANAGERS 1 Olympic Way, Wembley, Middx HA9 0NB 081 902 8876				
SE Asia	110.60	118.30	-0.60	0.85
Growth	47.99	51.33	+0.10	3.25
Income	59.60	63.74	+0.03	3.73
Far East	54.88	58.70	-0.29	...
North American	96.82	104.10	-0.70	...
Global	96.77	103.50	-0.30	0.39
European	82.94	88.69	+0.23	0.88
Japan	117.10	125.20†	-2.10	...
Intl Currency Bd	61.89	65.62†	-0.19	5.80
UK Cap Gwth	87.22	93.29†	-0.50	2.00
CAPEL-CURE MYERS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD 35 Fountain Street, Manchester M2 2AF Enquiries: 061 236 5685 Dealing: 061 236 5362				
Capability Trusts				
American Gen	142.70	151.90†	-0.70	0.06
-do- Acc	151.60	161.20	-0.80	0.06
European	75.18	79.54	+0.07	0.77
-do- Acc	78.43	82.98	+0.08	0.77
Far East Gen	69.13	73.55	-0.50	...
-do- Acc	69.13	73.55	-0.50	...
Smaller Cos	74.60	79.37†	+0.27	1.64
-do- Acc	84.23	89.61	+0.30	1.64
Growth	411.20	439.80	+2.50	2.23
-do- Acc	712.90	762.50	+4.60	2.23
Income Growth	412.60	439.00	+2.60	3.53
-do- Acc	560.60	596.40	+3.50	3.53
Master Portfolio	10442	10841†	-39.000	2.07
-do- Acc	12238	12706	-34.000	2.07
Special Sits	94.79	100.85	+0.35	2.18
-do- Acc	112.05	119.21	+0.41	2.18
Exempt Fund				
High Yield	1338.0	1380.0	...	3.98
-do- Acc	1579.0	1628.0	...	3.98
For Capel (James) Trusts see HSBC				
CAZENOVE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 3 Copthall Avenue, London EC2R 7BH 071 606 0708				
American P folio	91.56	97.62	...	0.98
European P folio	86.39	92.12	...	0.83
Japanese P folio	69.42	73.84	-0.78	...
Pacific P folio	128.06	137.70	+0.85	0.65
Cazenove P folio	80.17	85.72	...	2.37
UK Income Gth	71.91	77.02	...	4.17
Utility & Bond	58.51	58.90	...	7.00
CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND 2 Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ 071 588 1815				
Investment Fd	646.95	653.15	...	4.56
Fixed Int	164.20	164.40	...	8.82
Deposit	5.60	...	...	...
CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND 2 Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ 071 588 1815				
Income	639.88	644.49	...	4.64
-do- Acc	2542.4	2570.7	...	...
Deposit	5.60	...	...	...
Fxd Int Inc	133.50	133.83	...	8.67
-do- Acc	184.80	185.27	...	...
CITY FINANCIAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD 1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge, SE1 071 407 5966				
City Fin Assets	66.93	70.45†	...	2.08
Beckman Intl	93.11	98.40	...	2.69
Friars Hse Inc	200.44	212.11	...	4.95
Friars Hse Cap	270.60	286.35	...	2.33
COMMERCIAL UNION TRUST MANAGERS Exchange Court, 3 Bedford Park, Croydon CR0 2AQ. Enquiries: 081 686 2222 Dealing: 081 686 9818				
PRESTIGE PORTFOLIO (PPT FUNDS)				
Income Funds				
Equity Income	158.46	168.57†	-0.15	5.16
Equity Incom Acc	527.69	561.37	-0.50	5.16
Fixed & Convert	44.38	47.21†	+0.11	5.61
Fixed & Conv Acc	119.81	127.46	+0.30	5.61
Monthly Income	52.16	55.49†	-0.04	8.07
Preference	49.60	52.77†	-0.02	7.34
Preference Acc	262.84	279.62	-0.12	7.34
Balanced Funds				
High Yield	129.35	137.61†	-0.11	5.37
High Yield Acc	506.89	539.24	-0.48	5.37
Managed Fund	67.13	71.42†	-0.01	2.75
Managed Fd Acc	82.90	88.19	-0.02	2.75
UK Growth Funds				
Smaller Cos	41.09	43.71	+0.08	1.88
Smaller Cos Acc	46.63	49.61	+0.09	1.88
UK & General	74.59	79.35†	+0.22	2.88
UK & General Acc	91.21	97.03	+0.27	2.88
UK Growth	129.54	137.81	+0.40	1.65
International Growth Funds				
Europe Growth	175.97	187.20	-0.09	...
Far East Growth	126.67	134.76	-3.03	0.31
Global Bond	88.40	93.93†	-0.01	5.81
Gold & Comm	61.70	65.64	+1.31	...
Japan Growth	124.22	132.15	-1.44	...
North America	157.65	167.71	-0.43	...
Oriental Growth	72.69	77.33	+0.11	...
W'wide Growth	62.86	66.87†	-0.31	0.35
-do- Acc	65.57	69.76	-0.33	0.35
OTHER CU TRUSTS (NON PPT FUNDS)				
Deposit Fund	91.63	91.63†	+0.01	5.18
Deposit Fund Acc	93.63	93.63	+0.01	5.18
Quilter Fund	131.52	139.91	+0.15	2.12
Quilter Fund Acc	147.57	156.99	+0.18	2.12
CREDIT SUISSE INVESTMENT FUNDS (UK) LTD 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex CM13 1AA. 071 247 4542 Dealing: 0277 690370				
Fellowship Tst	66.92	71.19	+0.25	1.85
Growth	75.93	80.78	+0.28	1.85
Income Fund 5	229.50	244.20	-0.20	3.70
-do- Acc	543.60	578.30	-0.40	3.70
Inv Portfolio	73.41	78.10	+0.17	1.93
-do- Acc	83.66	89.00	+0.20	1.93
Smaller Cos	138.40	147.30	+0.30	1.31
-do- Acc	167.50	178.20	+0.30	1.31
High Inc P folio	66.16	70.39	-0.05	3.97
EAGLE STAR UNIT MANAGERS Bath Road, Cheltenham GL53 7LQ 0242 577 555				
Oriental Op Acc	108.40	115.30†	+0.60	.69
Japanese Acc	66.12	70.34†	-0.75	...
UK Balncd Inc	136.10	144.80	+0.90	2.38
-do- Acc	160.60	170.80	+1.10	2.38
UK Growth Acc	219.60	233.60	+1.30	1.92
UK High Inc	149.80	159.40	+0.80	5.55
-do- Acc	181.40	193.00	+1.00	5.55
N America Acc	119.90	127.60	-0.30	.21
European Acc	181.50	193.10	+0.70	.50
UK Pref F/I Inc	63.63	67.48	+0.14	6.53
-do- Acc	104.70	111.10	+0.30	6.53
Intl Sp Sits Acc	53.24	56.64†	-0.18	.20
Environmntl Opp	78.10	83.08†	+0.19	1.48
EDINBURGH UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Donaldson House, 97 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh EH12 5HD. 031 313 1000				
American	119.90	127.40	-1.00	0.39
UK Smlr Cos	218.80	232.50	+0.80	1.08
Eurofund	43.01	45.49	+0.15	0.88
Mngd Exempt	181.80	189.50	+1.70	2.77
Growth Inc	232.60	247.10	+0.30	3.04
High Dist	160.50	170.50	+0.50	4.40
International Inc	362.30	384.90	-0.50	0.84
-do- Acc	362.30	384.90	-0.50	0.84
Intl Income	91.98	98.19†	+0.44	2.65
Pacific	73.21	77.79†	+0.54	0.39
Smllr Jap Cos	77.73	82.59	-1.50	...
Tokyo	218.50	232.20†	-2.90	...
Japan Exempt	125.00	128.40	-0.50	0.39
Sm Jap Exempt	618.70	635.70	-14.70	0.08
Equity Income	133.90	142.30†	+0.20	3.51
Formerly Target				
Euro Spec Sits	160.80	170.20	+0.60	0.45
Financial	47.72	50.70†	+0.04	2.36
Japan General	170.80	181.50	-2.10	...
Preference	24.39	25.91†	+0.14	7.07†
ENDURANCE FUND MANAGEMENT 41 Harrington Gardens, London SW7 4JU 071 373 7261				
Endurance	194.10	206.30†	+4.30	0.94
EQUITABLE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD Walton St, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 7QW 0296 431480				
Pelican	114.50	120.53†	+0.71	3.18
High Income	135.07	142.18	+0.76	4.38
Tst of Inv Tsts	172.87	181.97	+0.40	2.09
Special Sits	88.70	93.37†	+0.34	2.00
North American	113.84	119.83†	-0.62	0.98
Far Eastern	292.47	307.86	+2.69	1.29
Intl Growth	108.15	113.84	+0.64	1.23
European	73.60	77.47	-0.20	1.81
Smaller Cos	74.38	78.29	+0.14	1.89
FAMILY INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT LTD 16 West Street, Brighton, BN1 2RE 0273 220 707				
United Charities	235.30	250.30†	...	3.81
FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD Oakhill House, 130 Tonbridge Rd, Tonbridge TN11 9DZ. 0800 414181				
Cash Unit Tst	100.00	100.00	...	5.10
European Tst	154.30	164.10†	-0.20	...
High Income	27.91	29.43†	-0.14	5.04
FOREIGN & COLONIAL 8th Floor, Exchange Hse, Primrose St, London EC2A 2NY. 071 628 8000				
European	106.80	112.80	-0.10	0.47
Far Eastern	151.80	162.80†	-1.40	...
High Income	23.75	25.28†	...	10.00
Ostas Income	99.63	106.40	-0.60	2.94
UK Growth	104.30	111.50	+0.50	1.13
UK Income	109.90	117.50	...	5.11
US Smaller Cos	298.70	317.30†	-3.30	...
FRAMLINGTON UNIT MANAGEMENT LTD 155 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 3FT 071 374 4100				
Amer Gth	54.63	58.08	-0.59	...
-do- Acc	54.63	58.08	-0.59	...
Am Smllr Co	481.00	514.30	-4.20	...
-do- Acc	491.40	525.50	-4.30	...
Capital	302.40	321.60†	+0.80	1.62
-do- Acc	425.60	452.70†	+1.20	1.62
Contl Smllr Cos	52.61	56.39	+0.07	0.87
-do- Acc	54.99	58.95	+0.08	0.87
Convertible	129.40	137.60	+0.20	5.01
-do- Acc	245.70	261.30	+0.60	5.01
Emg Mark	65.99	70.50	+0.07	...
-do- Acc	65.99	70.50	+0.07	...
European	110.80	118.20	+0.20	0.64
-do- Acc	115.80	123.20	+0.10	0.64
Extra Income	324.00	344.60	+0.90	3.54
-do- Acc	463.90	493.40	+1.20	3.54
Financial	124.10	132.60	+0.30	0.11
-do- Acc	129.90	138.80	+0.40	0.11
Gilt Gth Tst	67.97	70.08†	+0.12	5.71
-do- Acc	90.05	92.85†	+0.15	5.71
Health Fund Inc	133.80	142.90	-1.10	...
-do- Acc	133.80	142.90	-1.10	...
Income Tst	195.20	207.60	-0.10	3.53
-do- Acc	276.60	294.20	-0.10	3.53
Intl Growth	357.80	382.10	-1.90	...
-do- Acc	397.40	424.30	-2.10	...
Japan Gen	191.60	204.40	-2.80	...
-do- Acc	193.50	206.50	-2.70	...
Mngd P folio Inc	100.70	106.00†	...	0.72
-do- Acc	106.00	111.50†	+0.10	0.72
Monthly Income	164.60	175.00	+0.50	3.61
Qrtly Inc	54.48	57.95	+0.04	5.23
-do- Acc	55.25	58.77	+0.04	5.23
Recovery	324.40	346.90	-0.90	0.24
-do- Acc	381.10	407.50	-1.20	0.24
UK Growth	50.73	54.20	+0.14	2.50
-do- Acc	50.73	54.20	+0.14	2.50
FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS Castle Street, Salisbury, Wilts. SP1 3SH Dealing: 0722 411411 Administration: 0722 411622				
Equity Dist	381.65	406.01	+1.63	2.65
-do- Acc	779.34	829.08	+3.33	2.65
Euro Gth Dist	124.44	132.38	+0.92	0.67
-do- Acc	129.23	137.48	+0.95	0.67
Fixed Int Dist	140.96	149.10†	+0.19	5.68
-do- Acc	241.22	255.15†	+0.33	5.68
Intl Gth Dist	86.86	92.40	-0.11	0.53
-do- Acc	90.16	95.92	-0.12	0.53
Nth Amer Dist	180.80	191.53	-0.20	0.50
-do- Acc	197.05	208.74	-0.22	0.50
Pac Basin Dist	286.77	305.07	-1.47	0.01
-do- Acc	292.24	310.89	-1.50	0.01
Stewardship Dist	326.90	347.77	+1.54	1.86
-do- Acc	389.79	414.67	+1.83	1.86
Stwd Inc Dist	70.57	75.07	+0.20	3.16
-do- Acc	87.90	93.51	+0.24	3.16
N Am Stwd Dist	101.74	108.23	-0.57	...
-do- Acc	107.62	114.49	-0.60	...
GT UNIT MANAGERS Alban Gate, 14th Flr, 125 London Wall, Lond EC2Y 5AS. 071 710 4567 Dealing: 071 626 9431				
Am Sp Sits	147.90	158.20	-0.30	...
European	479.00	509.50	-0.40	1.42
Far East General	260.20	278.30	-1.40	0.26
Germany	120.50	127.60†	+0.40	...
Global Assets In	79.98	85.21	-0.20	0.88
Global Assets Ac	84.57	90.11	-0.20	0.88
Income Inc	143.40	153.40	...	5.14
International	322.70	344.50	-0.40	0.68
Intl Income	87.11	92.42	-0.19	3.82
Japan General	406.70	432.90	-0.90	...
Smllr Cos Div	50.89	54.43	+0.08	5.34
UK Capital Inc	179.80	192.30	+0.50	1.82
-do- Acc	310.20	331.80	+1.00	1.82
Uk Spec Sits	86.04	92.03†	+0.30	0.41
US General	128.30	136.40	-1.70	...
W wide Spec Sits	145.20	154.80	...	0.10
GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS Gartmore House, 16/18 Monument Street, London EC3R 8AJ. 071 623 1212 Dealing: 0277 264421. Services: 0800 289 336				
UK Growth Funds				
British Growth	48.67	51.99	-0.13	2.04
Cash Trust*	130.80	130.80†	+0.01	5.14
Pract Inv Inc	112.72	120.80†	+0.05	3.65
-do- Acc	248.38	266.19†	+0.08	3.65
UK Smaller Cos	107.37	115.14†	-0.17	1.71
Income Funds				
Preference Share	27.46	29.37†	+0.01	7.97
High Inc	35.17	37.61	+0.23	4.68
UK Equity Inc	141.76	151.61	+0.27	3.52
Global Bond	31.02	32.15†	-0.05	4.32
International Funds				
Gold Intl	99.96	107.20	+1.30	0.63
Frontier Markets	51.73	55.47	+0.23	0.04
Global Inc Gth	131.47	140.04†	-0.24	3.50
UK Intl	132.07	141.29	+0.46	0.84
Overseas Funds				
American	138.64	148.45	-0.54	0.46
European	94.35	100.91	+0.12	0.91
Euro Sel Opps	117.14	124.55	+0.08	0.59
American Emerg	99.37	106.56	-0.46	...
Hong Kong	144.64	155.11	-0.30	1.79
Japan	241.23	257.02	-3.25	...
Pacific Growth	199.70	214.16	-0.57	0.06
GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT Shackleton House, 4 Battle Bridge Lane, London SE1 2HR. 071 378 7979 Dealing: 071 588 0636				
Intl Growth	142.44	152.34	-0.15	0.32
American Gth	146.80	157.00	-2.42	...
European Gth	75.34	80.57	+0.39	0.72
Japan Gth	83.38	89.17	-1.00	...
Greater China	167.76	179.42	-0.07	1.23
Pacific Strategy	152.04	162.61	+0.51	0.24
UK Prog Inc	84.69	89.14†	-0.22	4.35
British Growth	53.80	56.80	+0.20	2.27
UK Small Cos	47.08	50.36	+0.10	1.32
GRE UNIT MANAGERS 34 Harbour Exchange Square, London E14 9GE 071 538 9608				
Cash	132.90	132.90†	...	5.11
Gilt Fixed	133.50	141.70	+0.40	4.54
Growth Equity	314.30	335.70	+0.70	1.98
Guardhill	462.30	493.90	+1.80	2.08
Income Trust	123.40	131.80	+0.40	3.16
International	176.20	188.20†	-0.50	0.05
Japan Trust	131.00	139.90	-1.20	...
Nth American	273.10	291.70†	-0.30	0.26
Pacific	499.80	533.60†	-0.70	...
European	415.60	444.00	-0.20	0.32
HSBC UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 7 Devonshire Square, London EC2M 4HU 071 955 5055				
The Footsie Fd	118.40	123.00	-0.60	2.46
Dealing 071 955 5055				
James Capel Unit Trusts Dealing 071 955 5053 Enquiries 0800 181890				
Index Funds				
American Index	201.50	214.70	...	1.19
Eurotrack 100	151.50	161.40	+0.70	1.28
Japan Index	84.17	89.83	-0.67	0.12
Tiger Index	184.70	197.10†	+1.50	0.50
Trstle Index	113.10	120.70	+0.20	2.09
UK Index	135.70	144.80	+0.60	2.75
Active Funds				
American Growth	458.30	489.10	-1.20	0.16
Capital	582.60	621.80†	+3.20	2.16
Euro Gth	96.42	102.90	+0.70	0.82
Far East Growth	106.00	113.10	-0.20	...
Global Bond	24.97	26.32	+0.07	5.39
Hong Kong	104.20	111.20	-0.10	0.54
Income	558.20	595.70†	+1.80	3.74
Intl Growth	79.37	84.71	-0.10	0.16
Japan Growth	290.80	310.00†	-4	...
Japan Smllr Cos	37.32	39.83	-0.66	...
S pore Mly Gth	73.55	78.50	+0.90	...
Midland Unit Trusts Dealing 0742 528200 Enquiries 0742 528076				
Balanced Dist	60.06	64.24†	+0.05	2.60
-do- Acc	61.72	66.01†	+0.06	2.60
British Dist	82.66	88.41	-0.39	1.90
-do- Acc	93.57	100.00	-0.50	1.90
European Gth	196.50	210.20	+0.40	0.53
-do- Acc	246.70	263.80	+0.40	0.53
Extra High Inc	73.69	78.81†	+0.10	5.71
-do- Acc	133.30	142.50†	+0.20	5.71
FT-SE 100 Index	52.63	56.29	+0.12	2.40
-do- Acc	53.42	57.13	+0.12	2.40
Gilt Fixed Int	59.13	61.56	+0.06	6.27
-do- Acc	159.90	166.50	+0.10	6.27
High Yield	240.80	257.50	+0.10	4.50
-do- Acc	565.30	604.50	+0.20	4.50
Income	300.30	321.20	-0.10	2.67
-do- Acc	634.90	679.00	-0.20	2.67
Japan Gth	361.70	386.80	-4.60	...
-do- Acc	381.70	408.20	-4.90	...
Mandarin	119.60	127.90	-1.40	0.57
-do- Acc	125.10	133.70	-1.50	0.57
Money Market UT	49.60	49.60	+0.06	4.61
-do- Acc	73.83	73.83	+0.09	4.61
North American	173.10	185.10	...	0.53
-do- Acc	218.40	233.50	...	0.53
HALIFAX STANDARD TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD PO Box 600, Edinburgh EH15 1EW 0800 838868				
Global Adv Inc	38.51	40.83	+0.20	1.44
-do- Acc	40.58	43.02	+0.20	1.44
Inc Adv Inc	32.37	34.32†	+0.10	3.49
-do- Acc	34.30	36.36	+0.20	3.49
HAMBROS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex Enquiries: 0277 227300 Dealing: 0277 690390				
Canadian	83.80	88.68†	-0.40	0.37
Equity Income	126.30	134.40	+0.70	3.15
European	151.30	160.30	+0.10	1.00
Intl Situation	83.12	88.43	+0.59	...
Japanese	145.10	154.00	-2.00	...
North American	98.28	104.30	-0.20	...
Scandinavian	137.60	147.30	-0.50	...
Smaller Cos	32.43	34.50	+0.10	1.86
HENDERSON PO Box 2357, Kings House, 101-135 Kings Road, Brentwood, Essex CM14 4ET Enq: 0277 263290 Dealing: 0277 234772				
UK Funds				
Special Sits	277.99	297.44	+0.13	1.42
-do- Acc	430.99	461.15	+0.20	1.42
Best of British	61.14	65.34	+0.11	2.10
UK Smlr Cos	115.67	124.37	-0.77	1.52
High Income Funds				
Income Gth	261.85	278.87	+0.70	3.14
-do- Acc	677.32	721.34	+1.78	3.14
High Inc	315.46	337.22†	+0.86	3.74
Extra Income	283.56	301.87†	+0.50	4.30
Pref Gilt	48.71	52.36†	+0.03	7.82
International				
International	255.84	273.02†	-0.22	0.39
Global Bond	59.60	63.40†	-0.01	6.38
Family of Funds	78.58	83.82	-0.10	0.53
Global Tech	142.74	152.66	-2.62	...
Overseas Funds				
Asian Enterprise	164.84	176.27	+1.16	0.25
European	442.14	467.98†	-0.51	0.34
European Inc	80.10	84.67	+0.03	2.38
Euro Smll Co	132.24	140.45†	-0.23	0.64
Euro Spec Sits	54.98	58.59†	+0.29	0.56
-do- Acc	58.72	62.57	+0.31	0.56
Japan	222.63	237.17	-3.97	...
Japan Spc Sit	254.69	271.16†	-5.17	...
Pacific Smllr Cos	235.75	250.79†	-0.59	...
N Amer	232.74	247.80	-2.01	...
Amer Smaller	104.85	112.08†	-0.02	...
HILL SAMUEL UT MANAGERS NLA Tower Addiscombe Road, Croydon 081 686 4355				
British	95.41	102.00	+0.10	2.05
Capital	166.90	178.50	...	1.75
Dollar	332.50	355.60	-1.80	0.01
European	223.10	238.60	-0.40	0.59
Far East	294.70	315.10	+0.50	0.36
Financial	818.10	874.90†	+0.10	1.56
Gilt Fxd Int Inc	27.92	29.00†	+0.30	7.06
High Yield	113.10	120.90	-0.10	4.11
Income	148.90	159.20	+0.10	3.12
Intl	234.50	250.80	-0.50	0.14
Japan Tech	73.78	78.90	-0.93	...
Nat Resources	64.77	69.27	+0.22	0.61
Security	320.20	342.40	-1.90	1.80
Smaller Cos	119.90	128.20†	+0.20	1.31
Special Sits	146.30	156.40†	+0.60	1.45
US Smaller Cos	78.08	83.50	-0.95	...
INVESCO FUND MANAGERS LTD 11 Devonshire Square, London EC2M 4YR 071 626 3434 Dealing: 0800 010733				
UK Specialist Trusts				
Smaller Cos	27.52	29.42	+0.10	1.19
Special Features	30.51	32.41†	+0.06	1.89
-do- Acc	36.36	38.63†	+0.07	1.88
General Funds				
UK Growth	58.98	63.01	+0.03	1.84
Assets Earnings	76.81	81.61	-0.02	1.96
do Acc	91.67	97.39	-0.03	1.96
Managed Invest	96.88	103.30	-0.40	1.09
Rupert Children	81.73	87.13	+0.06	1.86
High Income Funds				
Cashbox	50.38	50.38	+0.01	4.30
Extra Inc	87.48	93.45	+0.05	4.55
Gilt	29.84	31.43	+0.04	6.04
Income Gth	41.87	44.66†	+0.01	3.33
MIMstar	79.59	81.77†	-0.17	7.31
Preference	18.93	20.11	-0.01	6.16
UK Income	339.50	362.70†	+0.60	3.08
Sector Specialist Funds				
Fincl Sec	67.62	71.84	-0.04	1.04
Property Shares	77.24	83.01†	+0.05	1.17
Exempt Funds				
Exempt	159.80	167.60	-0.10	3.74
European Acc	131.50	139.30†	...	1.15
European Dist	123.90	131.30†	...	1.15
Overseas Growth Funds				
American Gth	50.58	53.75†	-0.36	0.79
European Perf	133.80	141.80	-0.10	0.14
-do- Acc	138.30	146.50	-0.20	0.14
Euro Small Cos	24.64	26.16†	+0.04	...
French Growth	73.17	77.74	-0.03	0.14
-do- Acc	78.17	83.05	-0.03	0.14
Hong K/China	86.96	92.39	-0.19	1.13
Intl Growth	56.15	59.66†	-0.19	0.31
-do- Acc	56.41	59.93†	-0.17	0.31
Japan Perf	34.66	36.81	-0.45	...
Accum Units	34.68	36.81	-0.45	...
Japan Smllr Cos	40.72	43.26†	-0.41	...
Singapore Asean	107.80	114.50	+0.40	...
-do- Acc	108.60	115.30	+0.40	...
South East Asia	298.30	316.90	+1.60	0.22
US Smllr Cos	116.30	123.40	+0.20	...
-do- Acc	117.40	124.70	+0.10	...
Overseas Income Funds				
Global Inc	93.67	99.81	+0.09	1.63
Intl Bond	60.29	61.04	-0.09	5.51
KLEINWORT BENSON UNIT TRUST LTD 10 Fenchurch Street, London EC3 071 956 6600. Dealing: 071 956 7354				
Income Trusts				
Extra Income	57.18	60.83†	+0.35	6.37
Gilt Yield	125.60	132.50†	+0.50	6.80
Global Income	224.30	238.60	+0.22	3.67
High Yield	145.80	155.10†	+0.54	5.53
Smllr Cos Div	54.85	58.35	+0.18	3.36
Capital Growth Trusts				
Amer Smllr Cos	95.78	101.90	+0.10	...
North American	78.36	83.36	-0.41	0.40
European	147.60	157.00	+0.60	1.43
Euro Special	86.33	91.84	+0.29	1.36
General	283.60	301.70	+1.90	2.96
Japan	447.70	476.30	-7.80	...
Japanese Special	260.60	277.20	-3.40	...
Master Acc	242.30	257.70†	+0.30	0.83
Pacific	323.10	343.70†	-0.30	0.42
Smaller Cos	107.20	114.00	...	1.48
UK Equity Gth	40.14	42.70	+0.19	1.64
LAS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 1B Dundas St, Edinburgh EH3 5EB 031 550 5151				
European	84.04	89.40	+0.04	0.87
Extra Income	25.92	27.57†	+0.13	3.48
Far East	31.05	33.03†	-0.06	0.26
Income Gwth	77.61	82.56	+0.49	2.79
Intl Growth	57.02	60.66†	+0.05	0.55
Japan	68.73	73.12	-0.52	...
Maximum Dist*	99.80	101.80†	...	6.81
N Amer Equity	39.85	42.39	-0.12	0.34
UK Equity	92.32	98.21†	+0.49	2.62
LAURENCE KEEN UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT 1 White Hart Yard, London SE1. 071 407 5966				
Income Gth Inc	55.97	59.54	-0.01	4.20
Smaller Cos	48.86	51.70	+0.14	0.97
LEGAL & GENERAL UT MANAGERS 5 Rayleigh Road, Hutton, Brentwood Essex Enq: 0277 227300. Dealing: 0277 690345				
Equity Dist	461.30	490.70†	+1.20	2.40
Equity Acc	889.10	945.90†	+2.40	2.40
Equity Income	101.20	107.70	+0.10	4.22
European	109.40	116.40	-0.10	0.91
Far Eastern	218.00	231.90†	-0.10	...
Fixed Interest	56.24	59.70†	-0.12	5.44
Gilt	96.73	102.60	+0.30	5.16
Global Growth	75.94	80.79	-0.28	0.11
Intl Bond	59.07	62.73	-0.08	4.19
Japanese	74.81	79.59	-1.20	...
Overseas Equity	111.80	118.90	-0.20	...
Pacific Gth	110.60	117.70†	-1.20	0.25
LLOYDS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD Mountbatten Hse, Chatham, Kent ME4 4JF 0634 834313				
Balanced	342.10	364.00	+1.80	2.60
-do- Acc	751.50	799.50	+3.90	2.60
Contl Euro Gth	58.99	62.10	+0.38	1.02
-do- Acc	62.38	65.67	+0.40	1.02
Extra Inc	262.20	279.00	-0.70	3.60
-do- Acc	648.40	689.80	-1.70	3.60
German Gth	122.80	129.30	+0.30	0.01
-do- Acc	128.80	135.60	+0.30	0.01
Growth Port	518.70	551.90†	-6.40	0.51
-do- Acc	522.30	555.70	-6.50	0.51
Income	480.40	511.10†	-0.70	3.56
-do- Acc	1255.0	1336.0	+3.00	3.56
Income Port	516.40	549.40	-4.90	3.97
-do- Acc	529.70	563.60	+1.30	3.97
Japan Growth	105.90	112.70	-1.60	0.01
-do- Acc	106.30	113.10	-1.60	0.01
Master Trust	56.88	60.52	+0.14	1.33
-do- Acc	62.63	66.63	+0.16	1.33
N American Gen	196.40	209.00	-1.30	0.01
-do- Acc	226.90	241.40	-1.40	0.01
NAm Sm Co Rec	149.50	159.10	-1.10	0.01
-do- Acc	152.50	162.30	-1.20	0.01
Pacific Basin	260.00	276.60	+1.10	0.56
-do- Acc	274.80	292.40	+1.30	0.56
Small Cos Rec	330.10	347.50	+1.30	2.26
-do- Acc	429.80	452.50	+1.80	2.26
UK Growth	83.30	88.62	+0.39	2.13
-do- Acc	98.14	104.50	+0.50	2.13
Worldwide Gth	313.60	333.70	-0.30	0.11
-do- Acc	462.50	492.10	-0.40	0.11
LONDON & MANCHESTER Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS 0392 282673				
General	85.00	91.20	+0.38	2.60
Income	66.53	71.38†	+0.32	5.00
International	62.17	66.71	-0.05	0.70
American	62.56	67.12	-0.14	0.30
Japan	56.32	60.43	-0.68	...
Tst of Inv Trusts	66.31	71.15†	+0.34	1.60
M & G SECURITIES LTD Victoria Rd, Chelmsford CM1 1FB Customer Services/ Unit Dealing: 0245 390990				
American Gen	403.30	426.50	-0.60	0.74
-do- Acc	498.30	527.00	-0.70	0.74
American Rec	447.70	473.40	-0.80	0.23
-do- Acc	513.00	542.40	-1.00	0.23
Am Sm Co Acc	137.00	144.90	-0.60	...
Australia Acc	185.10	195.80	+2.00	1.07
Capital	742.60	785.30	+4.20	2.18
-do- Acc	829.50	877.10	+4.70	2.18
Commodity Acc	464.40	491.20	+6.10	0.68
Compnd Gth	901.80	953.70	+6.60	2.54
Dividend	39.50	41.80	+0.20	3.91
-do- Acc	156.50	165.80	+1.00	3.91
Equity Inc	330.20	349.20	+1.60	4.23
European Div	67.40	71.30	+0.40	3.69
-do- Acc	78.00	82.50	+0.40	3.69
European Gen	454.80	480.90	+0.40	0.73
-do- Acc	571.30	604.20	+0.60	0.73
Extra Yield	417.20	441.20†	+2.90	3.98
-do- Acc	1246.5	1318.2	+8.70	3.98
Far Eastern	363.50	384.40	+2.40	0.26
-do- Acc	479.60	507.10	+3.20	0.26
Fund of Inv	593.00	627.10	+4.90	1.88
-do- Acc	1081.6	1143.9	+8.90	1.88
General	59.50	62.90	-0.30	3.27
-do- Acc	159.00	168.30	+0.90	3.27
Gilt Fxd Int	67.53	67.64	+0.26	6.88
do Acc	172.17	172.43	+0.65	6.88
Gold	62.50	66.10	+1.30	0.61
-do- Acc	73.40	77.70	+1.50	0.61
High Inc	28.10	29.70	+0.20	4.06
-do- Acc	106.40	112.50	+0.60	4.06
Ind Growth	75.80	80.20	-0.10	0.66
-do- Acc	131.30	139.00	-0.10	0.65
Intl Inc	101.90	107.80†	+0.40	4.16
Japan Gen Acc	53.10	56.10	-0.70	...
Japan Smllr Cos	163.10	172.40	-2.60	...
Midland	59.60	63.00†	-0.30	2.91
-do- Acc	194.10	205.30	+0.80	2.91
Recovery	39.50	41.80	+0.30	2.39
-do- Acc	62.90	66.50	+0.40	2.39
Second Gen	70.00	74.00	-0.30	2.00
-do- Acc	173.50	183.50	-0.80	2.00
Smaller Cos	65.90	69.70	+0.10	2.78
-do- Acc	126.50	133.80	+0.20	2.78
Trustee	42.30	44.70†	+0.30	3.50
Charibond 3‡	120.22	...	+0.70	8.97
Charifund 2	712.80	720.00	+3.50	5.10
Pension ex I	929.00	952.30	+5.60	3.91
NAACIP Inc 3‡	50.15	...	+0.20	6.77
-do- Acc 3‡	1237.6	...	+5.00	6.77
MARKS & SPENCER UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD PO Box 410, Chester X, CH99 9QG 0244 680006				
Inv Port Inc	149.40	159.80	...	1.91
-do- Acc	167.40	179.10	...	1.91
UK Income	124.90	133.60	+0.07	2.30
-do- Acc	141.20	151.00	+0.07	2.30
MARTIN CURRIE UNIT TRUSTS LTD Saltire Court, 20 Castle Terrace, Edinburgh EH1 2ES. 031 229 5252				
Emerg Mkts	101.10	108.10	+0.50	0.16
Far East	158.40	168.10	+3	0.14
Income Growth	78.29	83.11	+1.38	3.01
European	79.30	84.18	+0.40	0.06
Nth American	60.19	63.90	-0.52	0.41
UK Growth	84.70	89.92	+0.38	1.75
Intl Growth	106.70	113.30†	-0.10	0.16
Charities	118.60	125.90	+0.60	3.95
Intl Income	74.45	79.03†	-0.27	4.46
Japan	57.58	61.13	-0.89	...
MERCURY FUND MANAGERS LTD 33 King William St, EC4R 9AS. 071 280 2860				
American	197.30	209.70	+1.10	..
-do- Acc	210.90	224.10	+1.20	..
Cash	101.10	101.10	...	5.49
-do- Acc	131.40	131.40	...	5.49
Emg Mkts Acc	107.50	115.60	+0.60	...
European Gth	224.10	238.20	+1.20	0.67
-do- Acc	241.20	256.40	+1.20	0.67
General	497.80	530.70†	+1.30	2.28
-do- Acc	952.40	1015†	+2.00	2.28
Global Dist	133.50	140.30†	+0.10	5.68
-do- Acc	153.50	161.40†	+0.20	5.68
Income	151.60	161.20	-0.40	4.23
-do- Acc	225.10	239.60	+0.70	4.23
International	434.70	463.60	...	0.60
-do- Acc	578.20	616.70	-0.10	0.60
Japan Acc	199.60	211.80	-3.80	...
New Europe	160.40	171.10	-0.50	1.52
-do- Acc	162.90	173.80	-0.50	1.52
Recovery	310.20	330.90	-0.70	2.71
-do- Acc	393.20	419.40	-0.40	2.71
European Inc	82.99	88.09	+0.36	2.77
-do- Acc	107.50	114.10	+0.50	2.77
Brit Blue Chip	76.92	81.84†	+0.32	3.08
-do- Acc	92.50	98.42†	+0.39	3.08
Portfolio	79.94	85.01†	+0.14	2.66
-do- Acc	91.74	97.56†	+0.17	2.66
Gold General	156.60	168.40	+3.20	0.56
-do- Acc	160.10	172.10	+3.20	0.56
Pacific	117.70	125.50	-1.10	0.67
-do- Acc	125.10	133.40	-1.10	0.67
UK Smaller Cos	56.65	60.43†	+0.01	1.80
-do- Acc	63.63	67.87†	+0.01	1.80
For Midland Trusts see HSBC				
MORGAN GRENFELL INVESTMENT FUNDS LTD 20 Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 1UT Dealing: 071 826 0826 Enq: 071 826 0123				
American Gth	299.30	318.40	-2.50	...
Deposit Inc	99.99	99.99†	-0.01	5.64
Deposit Acc	124.22	124.22†	-0.01	5.64
Euro Gth Acc	341.30	364.40	+1.90	...
Europa	144.80	155.20	-0.50	...
Intl Gth	186.20	199.50	-0.30	...
Japan Tracker	80.93	85.75	-0.42	...
UK Equity Inc	166.50	179.20†	-0.80	3.68
-do- Acc	207.30	223.10†	-1.00	3.68
UK Ind Tracker	155.10	165.80	-0.90	2.89
US Eq Ind Trkr	198.50	210.50†	-0.10	1.39
-do- Acc	211.20	224.00†	-0.10	1.39
Asian Trader	203.10	220.30†	+0.70	0.37
MURRAY JOHNSTONE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT 7 West Nile St, Glasgow G2 2PX. 0345 090 933				
American Inc	172.60	176.80	-0.40	1.59
European	69.58	70.73†	-0.38	1.33
Olympiad	62.83	64.62	-0.01	0.16
Global Bond	49.98	50.51	+0.15	6.08
Smaller Cos	72.56	75.89	-0.23	1.07
Equity Income	99.23	101.90†	-1.00	4.50
UK Growth	89.21	91.89	-0.64	1.82
NM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD The Bilton Centre, North Harbour, Portsmouth. Enquiries: 0705 372222 Dealing: 0705 387730				
American Acc	49.05	52.31	-0.18	1.14
Australian Acc	357.30	383.30	-1.50	...
Conscience	66.42	70.88	-0.19	1.18
-do- Acc	71.69	76.51	-0.21	1.16
European	191.30	203.50	-0.10	0.77
-do- Acc	205.80	218.90	-0.10	0.77
Extra Income	77.35	82.55†	-0.33	5.36
-do- Acc	120.30	128.30	-0.50	5.38
Far East Gth	202.10	216.00†	-0.30	0.02
Gilt Fxd Inc	61.55	64.97	+0.06	6.10
Gold	52.95	56.82	-1.50	...
-do- Acc	56.91	61.19	-1.63	...
Income	56.94	60.77	-0.02	4.55
-do- Acc	174.30	185.90	-0.10	4.55
International	32.74	35.01	-0.12	0.60
-do- Acc	47.04	50.31	-0.17	0.60
Jap Sm Cos Acc	365.00	389.30	-7.90	...
S pore Mly Acc	254.50	272.90	-3.20	...
Smllr Cos Acc	27.59	29.66	+0.04	0.63
Special Sits	34.69	37.30†	-0.08	1.68
-do- Acc	40.32	43.35	-0.09	1.68
Tokyo	88.02	93.88	-0.99	...
-do- Acc	88.91	94.83	-0.99	...
N&P UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 35 Fountain St, Manchester M2 2AF 061 237 5322				
N&P UK Growth	72.67	77.31	-0.24	2.48
N&P Gilt Fxd Int	79.71	84.35	+0.15	5.87
N&P Higher Inc	218.40	232.40	-0.10	4.47
N&P UK Income	110.80	117.90	-0.10	3.48
N&P Intl	94.43	100.46†	-1.42	1.78
N&P Smaller Cos	79.60	84.69†	+0.41	1.51
NEWTON FUND MANAGERS 71 Queen Victoria St, London EC4V 4DR 071 332 9000				
General	183.66	195.39	...	1.50
Global	328.11	349.06†	...	3.86
Growth	118.47	126.04†	...	1.72
Income	222.86	237.09†	...	3.50
Intl Bond	140.82	149.49	...	7.30
Intrepid Fd	103.21	107.52	...	1.70
PEARL UNIT TRUST LTD PO Box 500, Peterborough PE2 6BR 0733 470470. Dealing: 0800 626577				
Growth	150.10	157.90	+0.80	2.40
-do- Acc	265.90	279.90	+1.50	2.40
Income	239.80	255.10†	+1.20	3.20
Intl Equity	243.40	258.90†	-0.10	0.73
-do- Acc	268.10	285.20	-0.10	0.73
Equity	236.70	251.70	+1.30	2.29
-do- Acc	485.20	516.20	+2.90	2.29
UK Intl 25 Acc	76.34	81.21	+0.30	1.80
UK Income	66.38	70.61	+0.34	2.79
UK Smllr Co Acc	83.09	88.39	-0.27	1.43
New Europe Acc	69.48	73.91	+0.15	0.93
PERPETUAL UNIT TRUST 48 Hart Street, Henley on Thames 0491 417000				
Asian Smllr Mkt	119.37	127.67	-0.05	0.01
PEP Growth	112.55	120.38	-0.36	1.16
Intl Gth	548.37	586.50	-0.62	0.25
Income	335.48	358.81†	-0.20	2.93
W wide Recov	349.70	373.47	-1.75	0.29
American Gth	223.59	239.11	-1.53	0.01
Intl Emerg Cos	222.67	238.37	-0.74	0.01
Far East Gth	257.67	275.59	-0.50	0.19
European Gth	134.96	144.35	-0.95	0.68
UK Growth	84.86	90.77	+0.01	2.82
High Income	93.05	99.52	+0.10	4.11
Japanese Gth	224.67	238.95	-4.48	0.01
PROLIFIC UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Walbrook Hse, 23 Walbrook, London EC4N 8LD. Dealing: 0800 262443				
International	196.40	208.90†	-0.50	0.53
High Income	114.40	121.70†	-0.10	3.50
Conv Gilt	119.60	126.10	+0.10	5.59
Far East	362.20	385.40†	-0.80	0.21
Global Inc Acc	35.19	37.43	+0.08	4.28
PROSPERITY UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT 1 Sessions Hse Sq, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XX. 0622 674751				
American	53.36	56.79	-0.09	0.05
Emerging Mkts	83.50	88.83	...	0.57
General	51.56	54.85	+0.06	3.73
International	91.15	96.97	-1.12	0.70
Gilt Units	27.92	28.76	+0.04	7.07
Global PEP	38.40	40.91†	-0.06	1.71
Income Gth	73.01	77.67	-0.12	3.97
European	48.36	51.45	-0.19	1.24
Gilt/Fixed Int	27.71	29.48†	-0.07	5.13
PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUSTS LTD 51/69 Ilford Hill, Ilford, Essex IG1 2DL 081 478 3377. Enquiries: 071 911 4490 Intermediary Dealing: 071 911 4314 Pricebank: 0426 929091				
Pru Mngd Tst	35.03	37.46	-0.02	1.38
Pru Csh Hvn Inc	101.58	102.08	+0.01	4.50
-do- Acc	106.78	107.30	+0.01	4.50
Pru Equity	711.49	760.95†	-1.96	2.37
Pru Equity Inc	86.70	92.72	...	4.22
Pru European	198.54	212.34	-0.46	0.79
Pru Global Gth	87.22	93.28	-0.05	1.37
Pru High Inc	92.33	98.74†	-0.23	3.84
Pru Intl	177.03	189.33	-0.59	1.09
Pru Intl Sm Co	76.75	82.08†	-0.23	0.53
Pru Japanese	208.21	222.66†	-2.27	...
Pru Nth Amer	161.51	172.73	-0.45	0.62
Pru Pacific Mkt	98.33	105.16	-1.62	0.98
Pru Premr Inc	51.77	53.90†	+0.09	5.55
Pru Smllr Cos	87.41	93.48	-0.28	2.11
Pru Spec Sits	105.97	113.33	-0.75	2.23
Pru UK Growth	117.85	126.04	-0.31	2.29
ROTHSCHILD FUND MANAGEMENT St Swithin's Lane, London EC4N 8NR Dealing: 071 634 2981/4				
FA Amer Smlr Cos	47.50	50.00	...	...
FA Asia	49.50	52.86	+0.02	...
FA Jap Smlr Cos	47.50	50.00	...	...
FA Income	171.29	182.95	-0.77	5.17
FA Japan	285.37	303.85	-4.31	...
FA Maj UK Cos	99.55	106.29	+0.69	2.00
FA America Inc	518.91	552.33	-1.58	0.66
-do- Acc	604.68	643.63	-1.84	0.66
FA Smlr UK Cos	285.43	309.13†	+0.48	1.05
FA European	282.38	299.19	+0.09	0.87
SAVE & PROSPER GROUP 16-22 Western Rd, Romford RM1 3LB 0708 766966 or 0800 929929 (IFAs only)				
Amer Inc Gth	74.48	79.23†	-0.21	3.32
Capital Units	159.10	169.30	-0.70	1.02
Commodity	118.50	126.10	-2.20	0.62
European Gth	191.00	192.60	-0.10	0.69
Financial Sec	196.10	208.60	-1.20	1.22
High Return	226.70	241.20	-1.30	3.52
High Yield	223.30	237.60†	+1.10	3.68
Income Units	120.40	128.10	+0.80	4.29
Investment	202.70	215.60†	+1.90	0.85
Japan Gth	170.60	181.50†	-1.60	...
Japan Smaller	198.70	211.40	-4	...
Masterfund	52.22	55.55	...	0.81
Scotbits	296.50	315.40	+1.50	0.90
Scotshares	277.80	295.50	+1.40	2.19
Scotyields	239.90	255.20	+1.20	3.70
Select Intl	141.00	150.00	+0.20	0.55
Smaller Cos	243.20	258.70†	+0.60	3.72
Special Situation	116.40	123.80	+0.70	0.63
UK Equity	241.90	257.30	-1.30	2.75
US Growth	147.60	157.00	-0.40	0.06
SCHRODER UNIT TRUSTS LTD Senator House, 85 Queen Victoria St, London. EC4V 4EJ. Client line: 0800 526 535 Broker line: 0800 526 540				
American	248.58	264.32	+0.60	0.67
-do- Acc	269.37	286.38	+0.65	0.67
Australian	147.20	157.01	-1.90	1.21
-do- Acc	173.94	185.52	-2.24	1.21
UK Enterprise	234.19	249.80	-0.15	2.14
-do- Acc	273.67	291.91	-0.17	2.14
European Gth	69.55	73.98	-0.32	0.94
-do- Acc	72.24	76.84	-0.34	0.94
Euro Smlr Cos	63.61	67.80	-0.22	0.33
-do- Acc	64.04	68.26	-0.21	0.33
Far Eastern Gth	87.09	92.89	-0.10	...
-do- Acc	88.50	94.39	-0.10	...
Fixed Interest	56.11	59.13†	-0.18	5.92
-do- Acc	70.63	74.43	-0.22	5.92
Gilt Income	110.09	116.03†	-0.37	6.95
-do- Acc	158.01	166.53†	-0.54	6.95
Global Bond	55.78	57.62	+0.05	5.21
-do- Acc	57.21	59.09	+0.05	5.21
Global Emg Mkts	48.57	51.80	+0.26	...
-do- Acc	48.57	51.80	+0.26	...
Income	348.17	371.38†	+1.33	3.74
-do- Acc	1046.3	1116.1	+4.00	3.74
Japan Enterprise	70.24	74.92†	-1.23	...
-do- Acc	70.24	74.92	-1.23	...
Japan Smllr Cos	519.59	554.22	-6.40	...
-do- Acc	520.63	555.33	-6.41	...
Pacific Gth	125.43	133.79	+1.35	0.27
-do- Acc	129.15	137.76	+1.39	0.27
Smaller Cos	208.16	218.63	-0.22	0.92
-do- Acc	237.28	253.09	-0.26	0.92
Tokyo	117.69	125.53†	-0.93	...
-do- Acc	118.88	126.80	-0.93	...
UK Equity	234.09	249.69	+0.92	2.41
-do- Acc	439.47	468.77	+1.72	2.41
US Smllr Cos	151.49	161.58	-0.98	...
-do- Acc	151.49	161.58	-0.98	...
World Fd	78.43	83.65	+0.24	1.68
-do- Acc	83.37	88.91	+0.25	1.68
SCOTTISH AMICABLE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD 150 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5NQ 041 204 2200				
Equity Income	50.17	53.43	+0.18	3.25
Equity Strategy	67.43	71.81	+0.20	0.69
European Opps	81.63	86.94	+0.09	0.55
Maximum Inc	98.69	101.24	+0.01	5.45
UK Smaller Cos	60.26	64.18	+0.05	1.29
SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS 19 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh. 031 225 2211				
UK Equity	371.90	397.00	+0.60	2.57
American	264.20	280.50	-1.50	0.70
Pacific	386.20	413.00	-1.50	0.54
European	513.40	549.10	-0.20	0.96
Worldwide	91.34	97.69	+0.50	0.81
SCOTTISH MUTUAL INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT 109 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5HN 041 248 6100				
UK Equity	324.60	345.40	+1.80	2.33
UK Sm Cos Eqty	224.00	238.40	+1.02	1.53
European	376.00	400.10	+1.40	1.47
North American	271.50	288.90	-0.30	0.44
Income Plus Inc	71.31	75.87†	+0.09	2.49
SCOTTISH PROVIDENT INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT LTD 6 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh EH2 2YA 031 558 2341/2/3				
Equity Gth Acc	26.08	30.05	+0.17	2.67
Intl Growth Acc	32.84	35.15	+0.08	0.85
Market Ldrs Acc	27.87	29.83	+0.18	2.83
SINGER & FRIEDLANDER INVESTMENT FUNDS LTD 21 New Street, Bishopsgate, London EC2M 2HR 071 626 6226				
European ‡	113.60	... ‡	+0.10	...
Global Bond ‡	103.60	... ‡	+0.30	7.26
Japan Samurai ‡	95.64	... ‡	-1.75	...
UK Growth ‡	105.50	... ‡	-0.20	3.77
STANDARD LIFE TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 3 George St, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ 0800 393777				
Managed	49.11	52.18	+0.20	1.29
Equity Gth Acc	66.85	71.03	+0.50	1.24
UK Eq General	45.36	48.20†	+0.40	1.96
-do- Acc	60.21	63.98	+0.50	1.96
European Acc	47.24	50.20	+0.10	0.61
Far East Acc	65.37	69.46	+0.10	0.15
Gilt Fxd Int Inc	33.03	34.93†	+0.10	6.25
N American Acc	45.10	47.92	...	0.66
O/s Lgr Cos Acc	305.50	331.50	...	1.48
UK Eq High Inc	38.78	41.21†	+0.20	3.31
-do- Acc	46.58	49.50	+0.30	3.31
UK Lgr Cos Inc	310.70	337.20†	+2.60	3.49
UK Lgr Cos Acc	409.50	444.40	+3.30	3.49
STATE STREET UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD Birchin Court, 20 Birchin Lane, London EC3V 9AQ. 071 626 1977				
Global A	NZ$3.866	4.106	...	1.30
US Eq	$2.244	$2.383	...	1.12
Far East Eq	Y253.30	Y269.00	...	...
Japan Eq	Y255.00	Y270.90	...	...
FT Europe	125.00	132.70	...	1.96
FT North Am	$1.773	$1.880	...	1.27
FT Japan	Y246.90	Y262.10	...	...
FT Asia Ex Jap	$2.313	$2.456	...	1.24
STEWART IVORY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 45 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031 226 3271				
American	360.30	384.30	-2.00	0.33
British	1015.4	1074.3	+1.50	3.34
European	441.60	469.00†	-2.20	1.29
Japan	159.30	169.10	-3.40	...
New Pacific	354.60	383.00	-1.60	0.85
Mngd Cash	95.58	95.58†	+0.01	5.09
Majority Stlg	99.79	100.79†	+0.01	4.38
Inv Tst	215.00	227.90†	-0.30	1.58
Saints PPP	408.20	429.70	...	...
SUN ALLIANCE Admin. 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Essex 0277 227300 Dealing: 0277 690389				
Equity Acc	807.70	863.80	-9.00	2.61
N America Acc	127.70	136.60	-0.40	0.15
Far East Acc	147.30	157.40	...	0.33
W wide Bond	63.91	67.85†	-0.02	5.19
European	96.65	103.40†	+0.10	0.37
Equity Income	93.34	99.83	+0.15	3.82
SUN LIFE OF CANADA Basingview, Basingstoke, Hants RG21 2DZ Dealing: 0256 841414				
American Gth	34.91	37.34	-0.01	0.51
Managed Assets	129.03	138.01	+0.61	2.54
UK Income	40.54	43.36	+0.22	2.25
UK Growth	39.07	41.79†	+0.26	2.12
Worldwide Gth	33.80	36.16†	+0.11	0.55
TSB UNIT TRUSTS LTD Charlton Place, Andover, Hants. SP10 1RE 0264 346794				
American	225.19	239.57	+0.15	...
-do- Acc	248.04	263.87	+0.16	...
British Gth	92.83	98.75†	+0.19	1.84
-do- Acc	109.96	116.98†	+0.23	1.84
European	105.40	112.12	+1.03	0.08
-do- Acc	112.01	119.16	+1.10	0.08
Extra Inc	201.58	214.45	+0.16	3.92
-do- Acc	329.59	350.62	+0.26	3.92
General Unit	288.86	307.30	+0.40	2.28
-do- Acc	577.01	613.84	+0.79	2.28
Income	355.21	377.88	+0.55	3.33
-do- Acc	738.13	785.25	+1.16	3.33
International	532.67	566.68†	-0.67	0.20
-do- Acc	698.87	743.48†	-0.88	0.20
Pacific	394.42	419.59	+2.85	...
-do- Acc	414.44	440.89	+3.00	...
Premier Income	54.33	56.59†	-0.61	6.18
-do- Acc	116.47	121.33†	+0.38	6.18
Nat Resources	148.07	157.53†	+4.17	...
-do- Acc	162.51	172.88†	+4.58	...
Selected Opps	106.14	112.91†	+0.26	1.21
-do- Acc	133.93	142.48†	+0.33	1.21
THORNTON UNIT MANAGERS LTD Swan House, 33 Queen St, London EC4R 1AX 071 246 3000 Dealing: 071 246 3001				
Amer Sml Cos	70.16	74.83	-0.08	...
-do- Acc	72.36	77.18	-0.07	...
European Opps	68.36	72.53	-0.22	0.43
-do- Acc	69.08	73.29	-0.22	0.43
Japan	92.67	98.84	-1.99	...
-do- Acc	92.67	98.84	-1.99	...
Little Dragons	97.35	103.84	+0.15	0.49
-do- Acc	100.22	106.90	+0.15	0.49
Oriental Income	48.02	51.22†	+0.36	3.07
-do- Acc	63.21	67.42†	+0.47	3.07
Tiger	265.14	282.81	+0.27	0.82
-do- Acc	278.56	297.13	+0.28	0.82
UK Small Cos	91.58	97.94	+0.77	1.62
-do- Acc	106.85	114.27	+0.89	1.62
WAVERLEY UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 13 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh EH2 4DJ 031 225 1551				
Australasian Gold	19.68	20.93	+0.50	0.50
Pacific Basin	39.52	42.04	-0.30	0.60
Canadian Gth	37.96	40.38	-0.13	...
Global Bond	$0.9912	$1.0325	+0.0229	6.98
Penny Share	26.34	28.02	+0.10	1.50
WHITTINGDALE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 2 Honey Lane, London EC2V 8BT 071 606 3132				
City Reserve	53.50	53.50	...	4.80
Gilt Growth	74.54	77.57	+0.12	...
Gilt Income	54.92	57.15†	+0.05	7.00
Short Dtd Gilt	113.00	114.50	+0.10	...
US Govmnt Bd	$0.7216	$0.7309	+0.0001	...
Challenger	102.00	104.30	...	...
WOOLWICH UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD 2 White Oak Square, Swanley BR8 7AG 081 298 4000				
Stockmarket Fd	74.37	79.11	+0.62	1.86

Source: Finstat

* Yield expressed as CAR (Compound Annual Return); † Ex dividend; ‡ Middle price; ... No significant data.

FT-SE VOLUMES

ASDA Gp	8,800	Cadbury	1,600	MEPC	3,900	Scot & New	2,500
Abbey Natl	2,600	Carlton Cms	804	Marks Spr	3,400	Scot Power	2,100
Alld-Lyons	1,700	Coats Vyla	3,900	NFC	574	Sears	6,200
Anglian W	1,100	Cm Union	2,200	NatWst Bk	6,800	Svrn Trent	1,800
Argyll Gp	3,400	Courtaulds	626	Nat Power	1,600	Shell Trans	7,900
Arjo Wiggn	1,200	Enterpr Oil	1,600	Nth Wst W	1,800	Siebe	891
AB Foods	510	Forte	2,900	Nthn Fds	3,600	SmKl Bch	3,900
BAA	918	GRE	3,000	P & O	1,900	Smith Nph	3,300
BAT Inds	5,600	GUS A	280	Pearson	864	Std Chartd	2,600
BOC	2,800	Gen Acc	1,800	PowerGen	909	Sun Allnce	3,900
BP	14,000	Gen Elec	3,700	Prudential	4,700	TI Gp	587
BT	7,600	Glaxo	8,700	RMC	574	TSB	4,800
BTR	5,300	Granada	2,200	RTZ	2,600	Tesco	11,000
Bk of Scot	3,000	Grand Met	3,400	Rank Org	1,200	Thames W	2,200
Barclays	3,500	Guinness	2,900	Reckitt Col	339	Thrn EMI	943
Bass	2,600	HSBC	2,100	Redland	2,500	Tomkins	6,000
Blue Circle	4,700	Hanson	8,300	Reed Intl	813	Unilever	3,100
Boots	1,300	ICI	2,700	Rentokil	706	Utd Bisc	1,200
Bowater	2,200	Inchcape	3,500	Reuters	846	Vodafone	2,000
Brit Aero	1,600	Kingfisher	3,300	Rolls Royce	4,800	Wrbrg (SG)	1,100
Brit Airwys	1,700	Ladbroke	4,800	Rothmans	19,000	Wellcome	3,500
Brit Gas	11,000	Land Secs	1,000	Ryl Ins	1,500	Whitbd 'A'	1,100
Brit Steel	9,100	Legal & Gn	829	Ryl Bk Scot	3,600	Wlms Hld	1,800
Burmah Cstrl	557	Lloyds Bk	3,200	Sainsbury	3,700	Wolseley	564
Cable Wire	3,000	MB Cardn	2,000	Schroders	3	Zeneca	2,000

MAJOR INDICES

New York (midday):
Dow Jones 3639.24 (-5.86)
S&P Composite 465.08 (-0.99)

Tokyo:
Nikkei Av'ge 20179.42 (+6.00)

Hong Kong:
Hang Seng 8982.68 (-20.12)

Amsterdam:
CBS Tendency 135.3 (+1.4)

Sydney: AO 2060.4 (+8.7)

Frankfurt:
DAX 2034.69 (-7.87)

FT 30 share: 2397.8 (+18.7)

Brussels:
General 6969.18 (-9.08)

Paris: CAC 592.24 (+0.68)

Zurich: SKA Gen 613.50 (+2.40)

London:
FT A All-Share 1571.07 (+13.38)
FT 500 1681.48 (+14.67)
FT Gold Mines 227.6 (+2.9)
FT Fixed Interest 125.03 (+0.35)
FT Govt Secs 103.46 (+0.15)
Bargains 32356
SEAQ Volume 745.6m
USM (Datastrm) 150.47 (+1.22)

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

First Dealings	Last Dealings	Last Declaration	For Settlement
October 11	October 22	January 13	January 24

Call options were taken out on 21/10/93: Aegis Group, Cluff Res, Goldsmiths, Premier Cons Oil, Rhino Group, Spring Ram, Tadpole.
Puts: Ex-Lands, Goldsmiths, Greycoat, Kingfisher
Put & Call: Shandwick.

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Period	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume
FT-SE 100 (Previous open interest: 63260)	Dec 93	3175.0	3223.0	3164.0	3219.0	17443
	Mar 94	3220.0	3220.0	3220.0	3237.0	560
Three Month Sterling (Previous open interest: 359884)	Dec 93	94.62	94.73	94.58	94.69	56369
	Mar 94	94.74	94.84	94.74	94.83	24875
	Jun 94	94.77	94.83	94.76	94.82	5346
Three Mth Eurodollar (Previous open interest: 10431)	Dec 93	96.52	96.53	96.52	96.52	131
	Mar 94	96.55	96.55	96.55	96.51	49
Three Mth Euro DM (Previous open interest: 673890)	Dec 93	93.73	93.90	93.73	93.88	110038
	Mar 94	94.37	94.52	94.35	94.48	68848
Long Gilt (Previous open interest: 115256)	Dec 93	115-04	115-17	115-00	115-07	74781
	Mar 94	114-13	114-21	114-13	114-15	74
Japanese Govmt Bond	Dec 93	113.66	113.70	113.53	113.58	2139
	Mar 94				112.81	0
German Gov Bd Bund (Previous open interest: 183704)	Dec 93	100.50	100.57	100.06	100.17	172607
	Mar 94	100.59	100.65	100.20	100.29	926
German Gov Bd Bobl (Previous open interest: 22216)	Dec 93	102.34	102.54	102.29	102.35	4757
	Mar 94					0
Three month ECU (Previous open interest: 31271)	Dec 93	92.96	93.17	92.92	93.14	5581
	Mar 94	93.77	93.93	93.72	93.92	1972
Euro Swiss Franc (Previous open interest: 52847)	Dec 93	95.66	95.75	95.57	95.67	24056
	Mar 94	96.10	96.18	96.06	96.11	4636
Italian Govmt Bond (Previous open interest: 79294)	Dec 93	118.58	118.81	118.07	118.56	55388
	Mar 94	118.49	118.49	118.00	118.28	130

MONEY MARKETS

Exchange index compared with 1985 was up at 80.2 (day's range 80.1-80.3).

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

Mkt Rates for Oct 21	Range	Close	1 month	3 month
Amsterdam	2.7554-2.7763	2.7721-2.7758	par-⅜ds	⅜-⅝ds
Brussels	53.41-53.97	53.55-53.72	14-18ds	39-48ds
Copenhagen	9.9284-10.0003	9.9664-9.9971	2-3⅜ds	7⅛-8⅞ds
Dublin	1.0460-1.0566	1.0540-1.0555	4-8ds	15-22ds
Frankfurt	2.4499-2.4710	2.4683-2.4710	⅛-¼ds	½-¾ds
Lisbon	253.10-256.36	255.24-256.36	80-165ds	296-412ds
Madrid	196.50-198.32	197.78-198.32	64-75ds	185-203ds
Milan	2379.79-2391.94	2379.79-2383.89	6-8ds	17-21ds
Montreal	1.9569-1.9743	1.9586-1.9625	0.25-0.18pr	0.47-0.37pr
New York	1.4870-1.4977	1.4883-1.4890	0.36-0.35pr	0.88-0.86pr
Oslo	10.6994-10.8131	10.7872-10.8131	⅜-⅞ds	⅞-2ds
Paris	8.6515-8.6934	8.6768-8.6898	⅞-1⅛ds	2⅛-3ds
Stockholm	11.7953-11.9209	11.8856-11.9209	1¼-2¼ds	4⅞-6¼ds
Tokyo	159.80-161.18	160.96-161.18	½-⅜pr	1⅜-1⅛pr
Vienna	17.2285-17.3930	17.3699-17.3930	¾-1⅜ds	3⅛-5ds
Zurich	2.1662-2.1806	2.1781-2.1806	¼-⅛pr	⅝-⅜pr

Source: Extel. Premium - pr. Discount - ds.

OTHER STERLING

Argentina peso*	1.4852-1.4877
Australia dollar	2.2150-2.2182
Bahrain dinar	0.5575-0.5695
Brazil cruzeiro*	232.29-233.65
Cyprus pound	0.743-0.753
Finland marka	8.4445-8.5606
Greece drachma	353.25-360.25
Hong Kong dollar	11.5012-11.5106
India rupee	46.51-47.47
Kuwait dinar KD	0.442-0.452
Malaysia ringgit	3.7809-3.7850
Mexico peso	4.59-4.69
New Zealand dollar	2.6756-2.6825
Saudi Arabia riyal	5.5445-5.6705
Singapore dollar	2.3330-2.3362
S Africa rand (fin)	6.0797-6.1285
S Africa rand (com)	4.9877-4.9934
U A E dirham	5.428-5.552

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DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Australia	1.4900-1.4912
Austria	11.62-11.63
Belgium (Com)	36.00-36.04
Canada	1.316-1.317
Denmark	6.707-6.727
France	5.835-5.845
Germany	1.658-1.659
Hong Kong	7.7345-7.7355
Ireland	1.4285-1.4300
Italy	1609.0-1610.0
Japan	107.9-108.0
Malaysia	2.5435-2.5445
Netherlands	1.8625-1.8635
Norway	7.244-7.264
Portugal	171.15-171.45
Singapore	1.5695-1.5705
Spain	132.6-132.8
Sweden	7.98-8.00
Switzerland	1.463-1.464

MONEY RATES (%)

Base Rates: Clearing Banks 6 Finance Hse 6
Discount Market Loans: O/night high: 6½ Low 6 Week fixed: 5⅞
Treasury Bills (Dis): Buy: 2 mth 5⅛; 3 mth 5⅛. Sell: 2 mth 5⅛; 3 mth: 5¼.

	1 mth	2 mth	3 mth	6 mth	12 mth
Prime Bank Bills (Dis)	5⅞-5¾	5⅞-5¾	5¾-5⅝	5 11/16-5⅝	-
Sterling Money Rates	5 15/16-5⅞	5 15/16-5⅞	5⅞-5¾	5 13/16-5 11/16	5⅝-5½
Interbank	5 15/16-5⅞	5 15/16-5⅞	5⅞-5¾	5 13/16-5 11/16	5⅝-5½
Overnight: open 6, close 6½					
Local Authority Deps	5 15/16	n/a	5⅞	5¾	5⅝
Sterling CDs	5 15/16-5⅞	5⅞-5 13/16	5 13/16-5¾	5 11/16-5 11/16	5⅝-5½
Dollar CDs	3.08-3.05	n/a	3.23-3.20	3.25-3.22	3.45-3.42
Building Society CDs	5 15/16-5⅞	5⅞-5 13/16	5 13/16-5¾	5¾-5⅝	5⅝-5½

ECGD: Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance. Make-up day: Sept 30, 1993 Agreed rates Oct 26, 1993 to Nov 23, 1993 Schemes III: 7.22%. Reference rate Sept 1, 1993 to Sept 30, 1993 Scheme IV & V: 5.954%.

EUROPEAN MONEY DEPOSITS (%)

Currency	7 day	1 mth	3 mth	6 mth	Call
Dollar	3⅛-2⅞	3⅛-2 15/16	3⅛-3	3¼-3⅛	3¼-2¾
Deutschemark	6¾-6½	6⅝-6½	6⅝-6½	6⅜-6¼	7-6
French Franc	7¼-6⅞	7-6⅞	6⅝-6½	6⅜-6¼	7¼-6¾
Swiss Franc	4⅝-4½	4⅝-4½	4¼-4⅛	4⅛-4	5-4
Yen	2⅜-2¼	2⅜-2¼	2⅜-2¼	2⅜-2¼	3-2

GOLD AND PRECIOUS METALS (Baird & Co)

Bullion: Open $371.60-372.00 Close: $373.00-373.50 High: $375.00-375.50
Low: $370.90-371.40 Krugerrand: $372.00-375.00 (£249.50-251.50)
Sovereigns: Old $85.00-88.00 (£57.00-59.00) New $85.00-88.00 (£57.00-59.00)

LIFFE OPTIONS

Series		Calls Oct	Calls Jan	Calls Apr	Puts Oct	Puts Jan	Puts Apr
Alld Lyon	550	48	57½	67	1	8½	15
(*595)	600	—	26	37	9	29½	36
Argyll	280	21	29	37½	1	8	12
(*299)	300	5	17½	27	9½	17	21½
ASDA	48	8	—	—	1	—	—
(*54½)	57	1	—	—	3	—	—
Boots	500	11½	28	40½	3½	19	26
(*504½)	550	1	8½	18	44	52	56½
Br Airways	360	27½	38	47½	1	12	15½
(*385½)	390	5	21	31	9½	25½	29½
BP	330	16½	26	32	1	9	13½
(*344½)	360	1	11	17½	17	24½	29
Br Steel	120	10	16½	20½	1	6	8½
(*128½)	130	2½	11	15½	4	10	14
C & W	950	21½	59	82	0	41½	52½
(*962½)	1000	3½	35½	57	45½	69½	79
CU	629	25	—	—	2	—	—
(*654)	677	1½	—	—	27	—	—
ICI	681	30½	54½	—	1½	16	—
(*708)	750	1	19	27½	45	53	71
Kingfishr	650	9	35	50½	5	28	37½
(*651)	700	1	14	27½	52	57	63
Land Sec	700	31	45	59	1½	15	21½
(*728)	750	2	19	32½	26	41	47
M & S	390	15	26½	35	1½	11	15
(*403)	420	1½	12½	20	19½	27	30½
Nat West	550	25½	45½	51	2	14	24½
(*572½)	600	1	19	25½	30	41½	51½
Sainsbury	390	30½	42	51½	1	9½	14
(*418½)	420	5½	24	34½	7	23	27
Shell	700	10½	34½	40½	9½	19	32
(*706)	750	1	13	19½	47	50½	62½
Smkl Bch	420	17½	35	46½	3	20½	26
(*433)	460	1½	17½	29	29½	43	48½
Storehse	200	8	16	19½	2½	8½	12½
(*205)	220	1	7	11	17	22	24½
Trafalgar	92	4½	—	—	3	—	—
(*93)	101	1½	—	—	10½	—	—
Unilever	1150	13½	45½	59	13	39	54½
(*1150)	1200	1½	23½	35	55	70	84
Zeneca	750	37	64½	76	1½	19	36½
(*783½)	800	4½	35	49	21½	42	62½
Series		**Oct**	**Feb**	**May**	**Oct**	**Feb**	**May**
Grnd Met	420	7½	24½	33½	6	27	29
(*420½)	460	1	9½	15	42½	54	56
Ladbroke	180	4	17½	19	5	13½	18½
(*180)	200	1	9½	11½	21½	26½	32
Utd Bisc	360	15½	33½	38½	2	14½	25½
(*371½)	390	2	18½	24	21	30½	42½

Series		Calls Nov	Calls Jan	Calls Apr	Puts Nov	Puts Jan	Puts Apr
BAA	850	54½	64	82	5½	16	23½
(*893)	900	20½	33	52½	23	37	45
Thames W	550	23	31½	42	10½	17½	22½
(*569)	600	3	11	18	45	49	52
Series		**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**	**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**
BAT Ind	475	23½	36½	—	7	16	—
(*496)	500	11	23½	27	20½	28½	41½
BTR	360	17	26½	30	5½	11	16½
(*369)	390	3½	12	15½	24	28½	33½
Br Aero	390	31½	50½	61½	11½	27	36½
(*408)	420	15	35½	47	26	43	52
Br Telcm	460	21	28	37	5	15	18
(*473)	500	3	11	18	29½	39	41
Cadbury	453	38½	48	52½	2	7½	16
(*485½)	493	11	25½	29	15	25	35
Guinness	390	28½	43	49½	4½	12	19½
(*410)	420	11	25	31½	18	25½	35
GEC	330	26	31½	38½	2½	7	9½
(*351½)	360	6½	15	21½	14	21	23½
Hanson	260	18	22½	25	2½	7	10
(*274½)	280	5½	11½	14½	10½	16	20
LASMO	130	14	20½	24	4	7½	10½
(*139½)	140	8	15	19½	8	12	15½
Lucas	160	13	20½	24	4½	8	13
(*167½)	180	3½	10	13½	16	21	24
Pilkingtn	140	7	12½	15½	6½	12½	14½
(*140)	160	2	5½	8	22½	27	28½
Prudential	360	17	25½	32½	5½	11½	18½
(*369½)	390	4	11	15	24	28½	35½
Redland	550	23	41½	49½	15	27	40
(*554)	600	5	21	28	49½	56½	70½
Royal Ins	317	16	27	—	6	12½	—
(*325)	346	4	13	—	24½	29	—
Tesco	200	18	26	30½	2½	8	10½
(*219)	220	6½	14½	18½	11	16½	20½
Vodafone	550	27	46½	59	14½	30½	37
(*560½)	600	8	24	36	47	60	66
Williams	330	11½	23	27	9½	16½	24
(*330)	360	2½	10½	14½	32½	36	42½

FT-SE INDEX (*3184½)

	3000	3050	3100	3150	3200	3250
Calls						
Nov	212	164	117	75	42	21
Dec	231	187	145	107	76	51
Jan	248	205	167	131	99	73
Feb	259	219	181	147	117	91
Jun	295	—	226	—	165	—
Puts						
Nov	4	6	10	20	38	72
Dec	13	19	27	40	60	88
Jan	25	32	44	58	78	104

Series		Calls Dec	Calls Mar	Calls Jun	Puts Dec	Puts Mar	Puts Jun
Abby Nat	420	17½	27	32	14	24	27½
(*420)	460	4	10½	16½	42½	50	52½
Amstrad	45	6	8½	10	2½	4	5
(*48½)	50	4	6	8	5	7	8
Barclays	550	37½	51	57½	9½	21	25
(*572)	600	11½	25½	33	35	47	51
Blue Circ	280	28	37½	41	5½	12	18½
(*298½)	300	15	26	29½	14	21	28
Br Gas	330	17	27	31	6½	11	17½
(*338)	360	5½	12	16½	25	28	34
Dixons	280	16	26½	34½	14	22½	26½
(*290)	300	9	16	25	26½	34½	38½
Forte	200	24½	31	33	3½	7½	12½
(*218)	220	11	19	22	10	16½	22½
Hillsdwn	160	8½	16	16½	6½	11	17½
(*161)	180	3	8	8½	23½	25½	32
Lonrho	130	10½	15	18	6½	14	15½
(*130)	140	6	11	14	15	20	21½
Sears	110	9½	13½	15	3	5	7
(*116)	120	4½	8	9½	8	9½	12½
Thrn Eml	900	48	63½	81½	18½	35	42½
(*920)	950	22	38½	55½	46	62½	68½
Tomkins	240	21	27½	32½	5½	11	13½
(*253½)	260	9	16½	22½	15½	21	23½
TSB	200	24½	28	32	3	7	9½
(*219)	220	11	16	20½	9½	16	19
Wellcome	800	47	76	93	33	54	66½
(*818½)	850	26½	53	69	63	82	94
Series		**Dec**	**Apr**		**Dec**	**Apr**	
Glaxo	650	89½	105	—	11½	30	—
(*723)	700	53½	75	—	25½	51½	—
HSBC	750	36	60	—	30	52½	—
(*750)	800	15½	37½	—	60½	82½	—
Reuter	1600	67	110½	—	52½	89½	—
(*1605½)	1650	43½	85½	—	79½	116	—
Series		**Dec**	**Feb**	**May**	**Dec**	**Feb**	**May**
R-Royce	137	19½	22½	—	3	6	—
(*150½)	156	7	12½	—	12	15	—
Series		**Oct**	**Dec**	**Mar**	**Oct**	**Dec**	**Mar**
Fisons	160	6	12½	19	2½	11	15
(*163½)	180	1	—	11½	18½	24½	28½
Series		**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**	**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**
Eastern Elc	550	50	59	67	2	9½	17½
(*595½)	600	13½	26½	36½	16	29½	34
Series		**Dec**	**Mar**	**Jun**	**Dec**	**Mar**	**Jun**
Natl Pwr	390	30½	39½	46	5	11	17
(*415)	420	12	21½	29	18½	23½	30½
Scot Pwr	300	30½	36½	43	4½	10	13

October 21, 1993 Tot: 37404 Call: 22598 Put: [illegible] FT-SE Call: [illegible] Put: [illegible]

COMMODITIES

COMMODITY REPORT: Cocoa began strongly based on a good technical picture and then a firm opening in New York helped push the market to its highest level since July 1989. However, the rally was short lived and prices retreated from their earlier five year high to end slightly up on the day. Coffee ended with good gains but off the day's highs in very thin volume.

LONDON COMMODITY EXCHANGE

COCOA

Dec	942-941	Mar	965 SLR
Mar	977-975	May	967 SLR
May	982-980	Jul	964 BID
Jul	985-982	Sep	970-968
Sep	984 BID		
Dec	967 SLR	Volume:	14037

ROBUSTA COFFEE ($)

Nov	1196-1194	Jul	1192-1187
Jan	1216-1215	Sep	1192-1183
Mar	1198-1195	Nov	1195-1183
May	1190-1168	Volume:	2436

NO.7 PREMIUM RAW SUGAR (6.00pm)

		Oct	10.72-10.94
Spot 261.40		Jan	unq
Mar	10.53-10.55	Mar	unq
May	10.68-10.75	May	unq
Jul	10.90-11.10	Volume:	60

WHITE SUGAR (FOB)

Reuters		Aug	283.3-81.0
Spot: unq		Oct	274.5-73.5
Dec	278.5-77.9	Dec	276.5-71.5
Mar	275.5-75.2	Mar	280.5-74.5
May	278.8-78.0	Volume:	782

MEAT & LIVESTOCK COMMISSION
Average fatstock prices at representative markets on October 21

(p/kg lw)	Pig	Sheep	Cattle
GB:	66.05	81.58	121.08
(+/-)	+1.95	+1.73	-3.45
Eng/Wales	65.97	81.85	120.75
(+/-)	+1.87	+2.09	-3.40
(%)	-8.7	-20.1	-11.1
Scotland:	77.50	79.85	122.80
(+/-)	+13.66	-0.65	-3.83
(%)	-61.6	-8.1	-22.6

LONDON MEAT FUTURES
Live Pig (£/kg)
Open Close Open Close

GNI LONDON GRAIN FUTURES

WHEAT (close £/t)

Nov	98.75
Jan	100.90
Mar	102.75
May	104.30
Jun	105.65
Volume:	343

BARLEY (close £/t)

Nov	101.20
Jan	103.20
Mar	105.15
May	106.75
Sep	94.00
Volume:	39

HI-PRO SOYA (close £/t)

Aug	unq
Oct	...
Dec	...
Feb	...
Apr	...
Volume:	0

POTATO (£/t)

	Open	Close
Nov	unq	87.5
Apr	91.0	117.5
May	102.0	91.3
Volume: 74		

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No 1 RSS Cif (p/k)
Nov 61.00-61.50

ICIS-LOR (London 6.00pm): Ongoing buying interest for physical crudes helped to keep the market firm.

CRUDE OILS ($/barrel FOB)

Brent Physical	16.85	+0.20
Brent 15 day (Nov)	16.95	+0.20
Brent 15 day (Dec)	17.20	+0.20
W Texas Intermediate (Nov)	18.55	+0.25
W Texas Intermediate (Dec)	18.65	+0.20

PRODUCTS ($/MT)
Spot CIF NW Europe (prompt delivery)

	Bid	Offer
Premium Gas .15	188 (n/c)	191 (+1)
Gasoil EEC	172 (+3)	173 (+2)
Non EEC 1H Nov	176 (+1)	178 (+1)
Non EEC 1H Dec	176 (+1)	178 (+1)
3.5 Fuel Oil	60 (n/c)	62 (n/c)
Naphtha	159 (n/c)	161 (n/c)

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GNI Ltd

GAS OIL

Nov	171.25-71.50	Feb	169.75-70.00
Dec	171.00-71.25	Mar	168.50-68.75
Jan	170.50-70.75	Apr	166.75-67.00
		Vol.	17237

BRENT (6.00pm)

Dec	17.20-17.22	Mar	17.55-17.58
Jan	17.36-17.39	Apr	17.62-17.67
Feb	17.47-17.49	Vol:	18660

UNLEADED GASOLINE

Nov	176.00-78.00	Feb	unq
Dec	172.00-77.50	Mar	unq
Jan	unq	Vol:	0

BIFFEX
GNI Ltd ($10/pt)

	High	Low	Close
Oct 93	1335	1330	1335
Nov 93	1340	1333	1333
Dec 93	1340	1333	1331
Jan 94	1347	1340	1347

Vol: 202 lots. Open int'st: 2866 Index 1351 -10

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE Rudolf Wolff

(Official) (Volume prev day)	Cash	3mth	Vol
Copper Gde A ($/tonne)	1631.0-1631.5	1653.0-1654.0	180275
Lead ($/tonne)	399.50-400.00	412.50-413.00	80800
Zinc Spec Hi Gde ($/tonne)	942.50-943.00	958.50-959.00	30990
Tin ($/tonne)	4970.0-4975.0	5020.0-5030.0	2130
Aluminium Hi Gde ($/tonne)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

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INFOTECH

Illegal software copying costs the industry more than £400 million a year, **Matthew May** reports

Turning a blind eye to pirates

The illegal copying of programs is said to be the scourge of the software industry. It claims it loses more than £400 million a year in Britain alone, because people copy their products.

That software piracy is still not taken seriously by companies which should know better seems to be confirmed by a survey published today. It finds that senior executives put illegal copying above only a parking ticket or speeding offence in terms of seriousness.

A group of almost 700 executives, including managing, finance and information technology directors, was questioned by the management consultants KPMG on behalf of FAST, the Federation Against Software Theft.

KPMG found that organisations viewed computer hacking, employee fraud and personal theft as far more serious problems than illegal copying of software.

"At least it's an improvement on the situation a few years ago," Bob Hay, FAST's chief executive, says. "Then, a lot of people didn't believe it to be wrong at all and saw it in the same way as the copying of music or videos at home."

He argues that there should be a clear distinction between business and home. "It is rare for anyone at home to use another person's intellectual property to create wealth for someone else," he says. "Yet the illegal copying of software by businesses is clearly in that category. They wouldn't think of stealing the hardware, so why steal software?"

The situation is, however, seen as improving, and though two years ago half the software in use in Britain was said not to have been paid for, Mr Hay believes the proportion has probably fallen to one-third.

Britain is also one of the best at paying up. The average amount of pirated software in use in Europe is now estimated at 60 per cent. Anti-piracy organisations see Italy and Spain as particularly bad.

The survey also found that although nearly everyone considered mass pirating of a software company's products illegal, four out of ten said that taking copies for their own use was perfectly all right.

Twenty per cent thought that buying one program, copying it and running it on several machines was also permissible.

But the legal position of taking a copy of a software package for personal use, perhaps either at home or for use on a portable computer outside the office, is not clear because some software companies allow it while others do not.

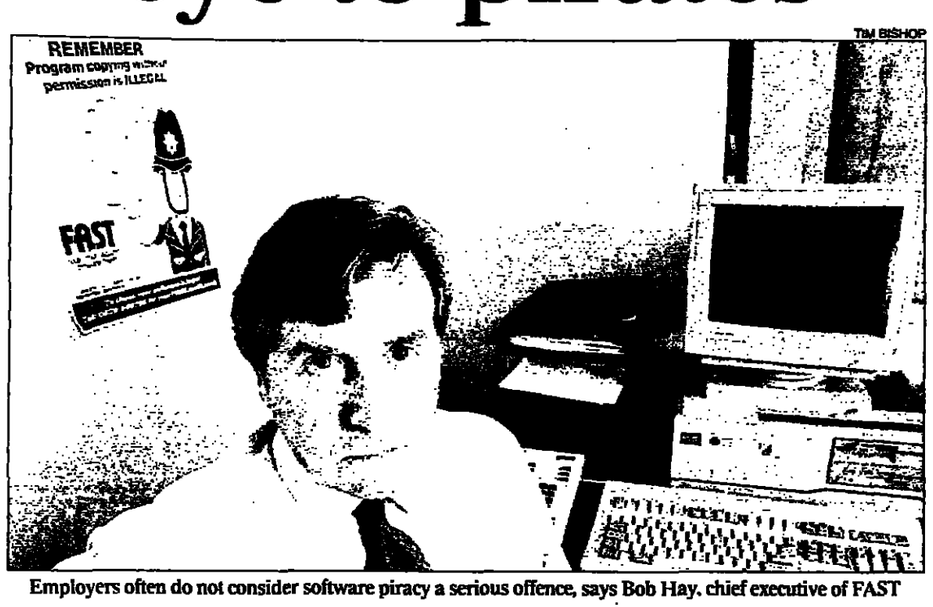
"There is an understandable reason for this confusion, because many leading companies allow a home-use right. I hope the rest of the industry will follow," Mr Hay says.

Perhaps surprisingly, the survey finds that saving money is not seen as the prime reason for copying. The most common reason given is that it is easy to do — since software companies have largely dropped copy-prevention features in their products because of the inconvenience it causes to genuine customers.

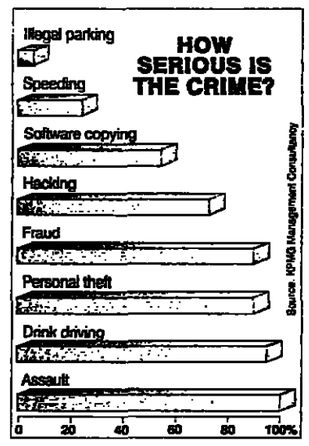
"Sometimes there is a squirrel mentality at work: employees see a program, copy it and store it away, thinking it might come in useful one day," Mr Hay says.

One other development may succeed where appeals to moral duty and the threat of legal action do not: the computer virus. Organisations in which there is widespread and unmonitored copying of software are also likely to be those most at risk of one day finding a costly loss of information from having a virus work its way around the building or throughout a network.

"There is a strong fear of viruses," Mr Hay says. "Some public-sector organisations now define illegal copying as professional misconduct within their existing disciplinary procedures."



Employers often do not consider software piracy a serious offence, says Bob Hay, chief executive of FAST



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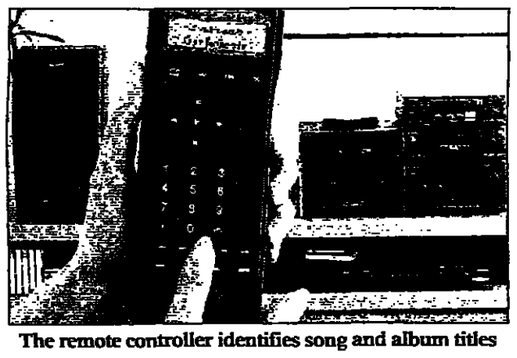
CD tunes play it by cable

Thirty-five specialist channels of music will filter into British homes

From next January, about 125,000 people in Birmingham will have the chance to be the first in Europe to sign up for a new cable service offering 35 specialist channels of compact disc-quality music from Mozart to Madonna. *Matthew May writes.*

Running on Birmingham Cable's existing network, which is used to carry television pictures and telephone calls, the new channels will offer music 24 hours a day at a price of £11.50 a month or £8 for existing subscribers.

The service, which has been available in America since 1990, will be provided by Music Choice Europe (MCE), the European incarnation of Digital Cable Radio. MCE, whose backers include Warner Music and Sony, is preparing more than 60 music channels, which will be on offer to cable companies in Europe. The channels will range from classical favourites, easy listening, jazz, blues, rock, oldies, rap and reggae to a children's channel and country music.


The remote controller identifies song and album titles

Any cable operator taking the service will be able to select those channels considered most suitable for their local audience. Birmingham Cable's 35 channels are not, for example, expected to include either the channel for regional Mexican music or, for that matter, the one that treats listeners to nothing but Dutch love songs.

A rival service, Digital Music Express, is doubling the 30 channels it offers to Bradford Cable subscribers, and is planning to transmit from the Astra satellite early next year.

Despite the involvement of Sony and Warner Music in MCE, this profusion of cable-music channels with CD-quality sound is looked on with mixed feelings by the music industry.

It is concerned that it could damage the sales of discs and tapes by encouraging people to increase home taping — an option that will become even more attractive if the new high-quality digital recording formats, such as the digital compact cassette or Minidisc, developed by Sony, take off.

New albums will be played carefully on the service to ensure that listeners cannot easily copy all the tracks and thus avoid buying the records.

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Microsoft move

MICROSOFT has announced a new version of its Office package — a collection of business programs that has sold more than two million copies.

The company claims that the new Version 4.0, which costs £400, is easier to use. There are also new versions of Microsoft's word processor, spreadsheet and business presentation program.

Highway blues

FUJITSU, of Japan, has developed a gadget for cars which combines electronic maps, video games, a CD and CD-rom player and even a karaoke machine — to enable the driver to sing to backing music during traffic jams.

Not dead yet

SEGA España and Acclaim Entertainment have denied reports that the game Mortal Kombat will be dropped from Sega España's sales list because of its violence.

Paco Pastor, managing director of Sega España, says: "We believe there was a misunderstanding about our future Mortal Kombat distribution strategy."

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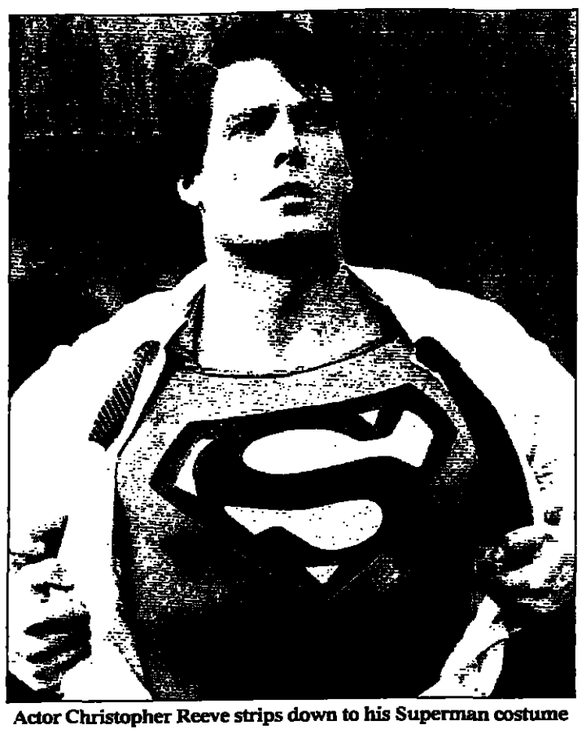
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A new figure is about to join Superman and the rest in the pantheon of super-heroes. Faster than a speeding coding pencil, stronger than a structured program, super-programmer is evolving to save business computing from inertia and flab.

"A new breed of super-programmer is upon us and we should be prepared to pay more as a result," says Gary Miles, director of finance systems at PA Consulting. It is a view shared by others close to the programming profession.

Super-programmers will have a broader range of skills than their predecessors, taking in art, design and psychology in addition to more extensive skills related directly to information technology (IT).

As members of ever smaller software development teams, they will have to be comfortable in a wider variety of roles. The day of this elite has not yet arrived, however. Super-programmer is still in the telephone box, struggling into a lurid outfit.

"I would endorse that view absolutely, in the long term," says Mike Ryan, director general of the Institution of Analysts and Programmers. "But let's not go overboard and say it's going to revolutionise things this year.

Inside many Clark Kent-like computer programmers are Supermen, just waiting to step out. David Guest looks at the potential earning power of the new breed

"There is a huge inertia effect among employers, who have large investments in systems and who are wedded to doing things in a particular way. A lot of the jobs in information technology are in those kinds of places."

Mr Ryan added that he takes plenty of calls from members of the institution asking what training they should look for to secure their future in the profession.

He agrees that programmers with skills beyond the conventional set of aptitudes for programming might initially be found in the



ranks of freelance contractors. "People can't afford to employ you and pay you all the time just in case they need you," he says.

Mr Miles sees technological and managerial trends leading to a demand for an elite breed. In the 1970s, he says, major software projects often ran into years and involved hundreds of people. By the 1980s structured methods encouraged better communication within teams and made deadline and budget overruns look more controlled. Today the software industry is beginning to reduce the size of applications and teams.

"Risk management is driving the shrinkage of development teams and the development cycle," Mr Miles says. "The inherent risk of starting big projects scares people and one way to reduce the risk is to reduce the team size."

The spread of personal computers and networks makes it possible — and desirable — to separate the data from the programs that call on it. Programs then become smaller as many functions that used to inflate them are performed elsewhere in the system's software. They can also be written and adapted for specific groups of users.

Art, design and psychology become necessary to ensure that the users of a program get what they want in a form they can use.

"The software developers of the future must consider how to design user interfaces to satisfy the capabilities of the next generation of users who grew up with the Sega console," Mr Miles says.

Tony Coombes is professional services director of Systems Resources, an organisation that matches IT specialist contractors with large users. He notes that companies have a growing tendency to keep their permanent IT staff happy and meet peaks of demand with contract staff.

The range of skills Mr Miles proposes is not, he says, in great demand yet. "We rarely get asked about a person's art qualifications unless it's in the context of technical authorship," he says.

"Psychology is more of an issue, but usually in the sense that the contract staff must get on with the team in place, *not make* waves. So they need good inter-personal skills. We see people increasingly asking for good team players, alongside having a sense of humour and being a non-smoker."

Mr Miles hopes for a change in priorities where traditional IT skills are concerned, especially in the preparatory work of data modelling that underpins so much subsequent development. "Good data modelling skills are very rare, and yet they can make the difference in a project," he says. "It isn't taught in universities to an adequate level. People don't understand its value and so they don't pay their data modellers enough.

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A treasure trove from holy Russia

Richard Cork is transported to another world by the magnificent icons from St Petersburg being exhibited at the V&A

At the outset, music rather than pictures greets visitors approaching *Gates of Mystery: The Art of Holy Russia*. Now at the Victoria & Albert Museum after a lengthy American tour, this major survey of medieval image-making is announced by the impassioned sound of a deep-throated choir. According to an explanatory label, we are hearing excerpts from Moscow Patriarchy's recording of the "600th Anniversary of the Victory for the Battle of Kulikovo". But the insistent swell and fall of the basso profundo voices seem impeccably liturgical, supplying an evocative backdrop for an array of treasures intended, in their distinct ways, to serve a religious purpose.

No exhibition in a secular museum can hope to recreate the context originally inhabited by these burnished icons, carvings, textiles, vessels and medallions. But the singing, allied with simulated candles and spotlighting in an otherwise darkened space, helps to generate an aura of ardent worship. Everything displayed here, loaned entirely from the State Russian Museum in St Petersburg, promoted the devotional convictions of Orthodox Christianity. The show takes as its effective springboard the momentous decision by Prince Vladimir of Kiev, who in 988 adopted the state religion of the Byzantine Empire rather than Catholicism from Western Europe. The prince's ambassadors persuaded him that the art produced for the liturgy of the Byzantine church was overwhelmingly potent. "We cannot forget that beauty," they told him. "We did not know whether we were in heaven or on earth, and we cannot describe it. We only know that God dwells there among men."

> The survival of these treasures is a tribute to the tenacity of curators

This astounding ability to convince worshippers of a divine presence accounts for the patronage lavished on the artists in the exhibition. Their images transported the congregation to an exalted realm, and the gates mentioned in the survey's title played a central role in the passage from earthly reality to heaven. At the heart of the iconostasis, which links the nave with the sanctuary, are the Royal Doors. The opening of these painted panels during the service allows the eucharist to be carried into the holiest part of the church. When the Royal Doors swing shut again, the congregation is reminded of its ancestors' banishment from Eden.

A resplendent example of these doors is displayed at the start of the show. Although sealed off behind glass, and surrounded by an anonymous grey wall, the panels' ascending rank of paintings transports us to a fervent world. Portraits of the four Evangelists at work are succeeded, as our eyes travel up the doors' cracked surfaces, by images of the eucharist itself. The eagerness with which the apostles receive their communion from Christ is forcefully conveyed.

Although these panels were produced in the first half of the 16th century, they remain defiantly removed from the pictorial revolution which Catholic artists had undergone. No hint of Renaissance innovation disturbs these figures. They are as flat and severely stylised as their Byzantine predecessors. By opting for Orthodox Christianity, the Russian rulers ensured that religious art would resist radical change for many centuries. Consistency was the keynote, even when the calamitous Moscow fire of 1547 led to the commissioning of an immense mass of new art for reconstructed churches.

Dominated by painters as admired and influential as the legendary Andrei Rublev, icons proliferated. And some magnificent examples have been lent to the exhibition. The wide panel depicting the prophets Nathan, Haggai and Samuel is particularly arresting. Saved from the iconostasis of the Monastery of St Cyril of the White Lake, these gaunt and prodigiously bearded patriarchs gaze down from their battered gold ground with uncompromising gravity. Although draperies flutter in the wind behind two of them, their stillness is awesome. For the art of holy Russia never appears ingratiating. These images are bent on impressing viewers with the dignity and power of the saintly life.

Icons of Christ himself are even more stern. A superb panel painting of *The Saviour Enthroned in Glory* is especially severe. Even if he raises one hand in blessing, this Christ is a forbidding presence enthroned against a heraldic ground of scarlet, green and black. Nor can any relief be found in images of the Christ Child. The outstanding *Mother of God Hodegetria* holds her infant son with a solemnity bordering on melancholy. And he frowns harshly, as if already prepared to convey displeasure rather than reassuring beneficence.

This bias towards austere emotions enabled artists to convey the suffering of Christ's Passion with special intensity. In a wonderfully well-preserved damask shroud, embroidered with silk, silver and gilt thread, everything focuses on the entombment of Christ's blanched and emaciated body. Attendant angels all stare down at the corpse with distraught faces, but the Virgin expresses the most vehement reaction. Clutching her son's head, she presses her cheek against his and makes no attempt to disguise the grief etched so painfully on her face.

The directness of the shroud image contributes decisively to its emotional impact. Elsewhere, this simplicity gives way to ornamental elaboration. The chased silver in which *The Vladimir Mother of God* is embedded nearly smothers the icon. Haloes and crown are studded with pearls and other stones, leading to a surfeit of jewelled ostentation.

It is a relief, among all this encrusted stasis, to discover occasional eruptions of movement. One painter, depicting *The Vision of the Heavenly Ladder*, relishes the chance to show figures plummeting through the sky towards the mouth of hell. Another artist dramatises St George and the dragon with a vivacity which has made this icon the most famous object in the Russian Museum's medieval collection. Perched with effortless poise on his balletic white horse, the saint spears his target in one elegant thrust. The effervescent mood of this panel, where grace and dynamism are irresistibly united, even ensures that the dragon seems unperturbed by the spear piercing its throat.

The brilliance of the colours enhances such an image enormously. But before comprehensive cleaning began earlier this century, the luminosity of many icons had been lost. Near the survey's end a partially restored exhibit reveals just how dingy these paintings once were. Accumulated dirt from candle-smoke and incense covered the varnish so thickly that colours were snuffed out.

The survival of these treasures, through all the upheavals which have convulsed Russia, is a tribute to the tenacity of curators. Through their often courageous efforts, preservation has been bestowed on some of the finest art executed during a protracted medieval period which lasted until the onset of the 18th century. Then, at last, Western influences began to break down the rigid stylistic barriers. But this timely exhibition, coinciding as it does with a resurgence of faith throughout Russia today, proves how powerfully the old icon-makers navigated a pathway to the divine.

● *Gates of Mystery: The Art of Holy Russia at the Victoria & Albert Museum (071-938 8361) until January 8.*



The vivacity of *St George and the Dragon* has made it the most famous object in the Russian Museum's medieval collection

GALLERIES: CRITIC'S CHOICE

● **HOWARD HODGKIN:** In his first one-man show in Britain for five years (meanwhile he has been showing mainly in America), Hodgkin is represented by 20 recent paintings, several much larger than in the past. He continues his exploration of the borderline between representation and abstraction, always starting from some visual observation but then burying it to such an extent that it can be perceived only by a process akin to telepathy. Through the medium of paint this seems to work: and if it does not, the patterns of colour are so beguiling that no one seems to worry.
Anthony D'Offay Gallery, 9, 21 and 25 Dering Street, London W1 (071-499 4100). Mon-Fri 10am-5.30pm, Sat 10am-1pm, continuing until November 24.

● **ROBERT MACLAURIN:** The Edinburgh-based painter was last sighted during this year's Edinburgh Festival exhibiting a series of tiny paintings on slate. For his new London show he goes to the opposite extreme: some of these landscapes are over 7ft wide. The inspiration is drawn largely from recent visits to Slovenia and Turkey, but the resultant images come out of his own head more than from any precise physical location. The bare bones of landscape are suffused with brilliant light, and reality is magically transformed.
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● **DEREK BOSHIER:** Boshier was hailed as one of the new stars of the Hockney generation on the basis of a very successful show in 1962. He has been little discussed in this country for the past 12 years, since he settled in America. But now he is back and ready to take his place among the new middle-aged. This show juxtaposes two groups of drawings, from 1962-3 and 1992-3. Both groups have an ironic pseudo-simplicity (the last refuge of sophisticated minds) but otherwise he has progressed to considerable textural complexity while basing his works on popular everyday imagery.
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Dealer's mystery bronze

ART MARKET DIARY

ART dealers may be in the business of selling art, but the London dealer Danny Katz is the exception. The star of his current stock is a bronze sculpture of an effeminate youth which he refuses to sell because its attribution is far from being resolved.

The least lucrative theory is that the bronze is by the "Master of the Barbarigo Relief" — not exactly a household name. If this is the case, the work is worth thousands. The most exciting theory is that it is by the great 15th-century Venetian artist Mantegna. Experts were undecided on the issue when they discussed it at the recent Royal Academy exhibition of Mantegna's work. If the bronze is by the Venetian, it could be worth millions.

The work is most likely, however, to be that of Tullio and/or Antonio Lombardo, members of the family responsible for the classical relief work at the Doge's Palace in Venice. Katz will probably eventually plump for a price tag somewhere in between the two extremes.

● **HAVE things got so desperate that the British Antique Dealers' Association is resorting to truncheons in an effort to persuade people to buy? No, says William Clegg, who is organising an exhibition of the police's oldest weapon as part of the celebrations for the association's 75th anniversary. These fine examples of folk art, "richly painted" by local coachbuilders and often bearing lavish coats of arms, will be on display at Clegg's gallery at Hunter Combe, near Henley-on-Thames, from November 3. Prices range from £30 to £1,000.**

Mixed blessing

CHRISTIE'S has been troubled of late by auction postponements because of confusion over the wishes of late owners. It was, therefore, relieved to be handed the Malcolm Forbes collection of 19th-Century Orientalist art, as the late magazine magnate had left instructions that his sons were welcome to dispose of the collection if they so wished. After a lavish preview evening at Christie's Manhattan Galleries, at which rich New Yorkers disported with men in Ali Baba costumes, the collection went under the hammer last week.

The only snag for Christie's was that, whereas the Forbes family had given Christie's the quantity, they chose the company's arch rival Sotheby's to dispose of the quality. The average price for the 391 lots offered at Christies was £5,000 while that for the 58 works at Sotheby's was £18,000.

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CONCERT: A fine new orchestral work by Mark-Anthony Turnage

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IN SPITE of decades of Arts Council strategy, Nottingham still has no orchestra of its own (there are now murmurings that the Royal Philharmonic will develop an annual residency in the city). But it does have one of Britain's three best concert halls and it does have a special relationship with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra.

Otherwise, surely, it would not have been able to secure the first performance of Mark-Anthony Turnage's *Drowned Out*, which is the culmination of a long-term Birmingham project. Over his four years as Radcliffe composer-in-association with the CBSO, Turnage has written *Momentum* for the opening of Symphony Hall, *Kai* for the Birmingham Contemporary Music Group, *Leaving* for the CBSO Chorus, and finally this highly dramatic virtuoso orchestral piece.

Drowned Out is a culmination in another sense too. After his brilliantly successful opera *Greek*, which seemed to identify the young composer as a violent radical, Turnage made an abrupt change of direction to develop, deliberately or not, the lyrical and reflective side of his creative personality. The new work, which is inspired by William Golding's novel *Pincher Martin*, unites the two sides in a way which is both symbolically and aesthetically satisfying.

Much of the first part consists of brooding melodic lines drawn in sombre colours on, say, baritone saxophones, tuba or alto flutes. But there is also a tendency to rise up from these depths towards the light shining on the high registers of a hard-worked trumpet section. The tempo accelerates and at the same time the rhythms and the scoring become more aggressive, disturbing the atmospheric unity perhaps with vague echoes of *The Rite of Spring* and *Turangalila* but never quite submerging the melodic interest. Indeed, after the climax of violence there is a long and expressive clarinet solo pulling against the finally prevailing trend represented by the glissando and arpeggio figures thrusting heavily downwards in the darkly scored closing bars.

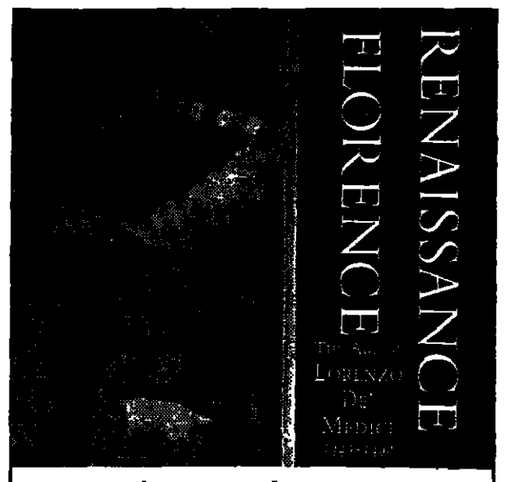


Turnage: link with CBSO

One of the advantages of Turnage's association with the CBSO is that he has been able to try out his new scores months before their first performances. In this case, that resulted in a probably wise excision of a chunk of the aggressive passage before the climax of the piece. The other advantage, of course, is that Simon Rattle and the orchestra have become thoroughly familiar with his idiom.

Between a strikingly vivid account of Sibelius's *Tapiola* and a remarkably spontaneous interpretation of Beethoven's "Eroica" Symphony, *Drowned Out* was given a first performance as committed and as convincing as any composer could hope for.

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LIVE LIKE PIGS: First fruit of the Royal Court's new policy of reviving significant works from the early days of the English Stage Company. Katie Mitchell directs John Arden's study of culture shock when gipsies are settled in a housing estate. **Theatre Upstairs**, Royal Court, Sloane Square, SW1 (071-730 2554), 7.30pm.

TODAY'S EVENTS

A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Kris Anderson

Then Mon to Sat 7.30pm; mats Sat (from Oct 30), 3.30pm.

LONDON SINFONIETTA: David Atherton conducts another invigorating programme at the Barbican. With works by Igor Stravinsky (*Danses Concertantes*); Robin Holloway (*Fantasy Pieces* on the Heine *Liederkreis* of Schumann, op 16); and Richard Strauss (Suite: *Le Bourgeois gentilhomme*). **Barbican**, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891, 7.30pm.

ORCHESTRA OF THE AGE OF ENLIGHTENMENT: As part of the South Bank's Czech series the OAE presents a performance of the melodrama Medea by the 18th-century Bohemian composer Georg Benda. Harriet Walter performs the spoken lead role. The other works on the programme are also by 18th-century Bohemian composers: a Symphony in G minor by Jan Antonin Kozeluch and Franz Krommer's Clarinet Concerto in E flat. **Queen Elizabeth Hall**, South Bank, SE1 (071-928 8800), 7.45.

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ALDEBURGH BRITTEN FESTIVAL: Theme and variations programme featuring works from Britten, Mendelssohn and Lutoslawski. **Snape Maltings Concert Hall** (0728 453543), 7.30pm.

BIRMINGHAM: Bill Alexander revives Pinter's fascinating three-hander from 1971, **Old Times**, with Tim Pigott-Smith, Estelle Kohler, Carol Royle. **Repertory Theatre**, Centenary Square (021-236 4455). Previews tonight, 7.30pm. Opens Oct 26, 7.30pm.

LEEDS: Vicky Featherstone has chosen John Higgins, fresh from drama school, to play the teenage mobster Pinkie in a new adaptation of Graham Greene's **Brighton Rock**. **Quarry Theatre**, West Yorkshire Playhouse (0532 442111). Previews tonight, 7.30pm. Opens Oct 26.

WOLVERHAMPTON: Spiritualized, on tour to promote their new EP, offering four more of their trippy, "laser-guided melodies". **University** (0902 322029), 8pm.

☐ **ANDORRA:** London Classic Theatre Company, formed to produce 19th- and 20th-century German plays, kicks off with Max Frisch's masterly study of racism and the readiness to conform. **New End**, 27 New End, Hampstead, NW3 (071-794 0022). Tue-Sat, 8pm, Sun, 2pm, 5.30pm.

⧅ **CAROUSEL:** Tuneful Rodgers and Hammerstein has the familiar mixture of the perceptive and the maudlin. The sets are clever. **Shaftesbury**, Shaftesbury Avenue, WC2 (071-379 5399). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm; mats Wed, Sat, 2.30pm. 165mins.

☐ **HUGE:** Two comics; Ben Miller and Simon Godley, play two disaffected comics raking over their rich treasury of material. See review, right. **King's Head**, Upper St, N1 (071-226 1916). Tue-Sun 8pm; mats Sat, Sun, 3.30pm.

☐ **AN INSPECTOR CALLS:** Stephen Daldry's marvellously re-imagined version of Priestley's social thriller. **Aldwych**, Aldwych, WC2 (071-836 6404) Mon-Fri, 7.45pm; Sat, 5pm and 8.15pm; mat Wed, 2.30pm.

■ **JAMAIS VU:** kicks off Ken Campbell's one-man trilogy. The eccentric actor-director is in typical form with his brilliant blend of humour and philosophical acumen. Wacky, perhaps, but a bold theatrical pioneer. Ken Campbell's latest one-man entertainment. Plus one performance each of his two earlier, amazing shows **National** (Cottesloe), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252), 7.30pm.

☐ **MACHINAL:** Stephen Daldry's second production here is the American Sophie Treadwell's expressionist drama from 1928. Fiona Shaw plays a woman battling against the pressure of a mechanistic age. **National Theatre** (Lyttelton), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252), 7.30; Sat 2.12pm, 7.30pm.

THEATRE GUIDE

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of theatre showing in London

■ **House full, returns only**
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☐ **MR DIRECTOR:** New Fay Weldon play, billed as a black comedy, about the reactions of authority when a 14-year-old is locked up in an isolation unit. **Orange Tree**, Clarence St, Richmond (081-940 3633) Previews from Oct 21, 7.45pm. Opens Oct 26, 7.45pm.

⧅ **MOONLIGHT:** A man on his deathbed rages against the dying of the light. Ian Holm, Anna Massey and Edward de Souza head a strong cast in Pinter's fascinating new play sensitively directed by David Leveaux. **Almeida**, Almeida Street, N1 (071-359 4404). Mon-Sat, 8pm; mat Sat, 4pm.

⧅ **OLEANNA:** Power, politics and punishment at an American university. Great performances by David Suchet and Lia Williams in Harold Pinter's production of David Mamet's play. **Duke of York's**, St. Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-836 5122). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm; mats Thurs, 3pm and Sat, 4pm.

☐ **RACING DEMON:** Revival of David Hare's bracing drama on the modern Church of England, again with Michael Bryant, Richard Pasco and the excellent Oliver Ford Davies. **National Theatre** (Olivier), South Bank, SE1 (071-928-2252), 7.15.

⧅ **SHE STOOPS TO CONQUER:** Donald Sinden, Miriam Margolyes, David Essex in Peter Hall's revival of the evergreen Goldsmith comedy. **Queens**, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5041) Previews, 7.30pm. Opens Oct 25, 7pm. Then Mon-Sat 7.30pm, mats Sat 2.30.

⧅ **TRAVESTIES:** Tom Stoppard's dazzling word-spinner revived with Antony Sher as the aged consul remembering Lenin, Joyce and Dada in 1917 Zurich. Directed by Adrian Noble. **Barbican**, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight, 7.15pm, Sat 2pm, 7.15.

⧅ **WALLENSTEIN:** Tim Albery's directing debut for the RSC in Schiller's mighty drama about power's capacity to corrupt. Ken Bones plays the great general. After 200 years, a British premiere. **Pit**, Barbican Centre, EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight, 7.15pm. Sat 2pm, 7.15pm.

LONG RUNNERS. ☐ **Blood Brothers**: Phoenix (071-867 1044) ⧅ **Buddy**: Victoria Palace (071-834 1317) ... ⧅ **Cats**: New London (071-405 0072) ... ⧅ **Crazy for You**: Prince Edward (071-734 8951) ... ☐ **Don't Dress for Dinner**: Duchess (071-494 5070) ... ☐ **Five Guys Named Moe**. Lyric (071-494 5045) ... ■ **Grease**: Dominion (071-580 8845) ... ☐ **It runs in the Family**: Playhouse (071-839 4401) ... ⧅ **Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat**: Palladium (071-494 5037) ... ⧅ **Les Misérables**: Palace (071-434 0909) ... ⧅ **Miss Saigon**: Theatre Royal, Drury Lane (071-494 5400) ... ☐ **The Mousetrap**: St Martin's (071-836 1443) ... ■ **The Phantom of the Opera**: Her Majesty's (071-494 5400) ... ⧅ **Starlight Express**: Apollo Victoria (071-828 8665) ... ■ **Sunset Boulevard**: Adelphi Theatre (071-344 0055) ... ☐ **Travels With My Aunt**: Whitehall (071-867 1119) ... ☐ **The Woman in Black**: Fortune (071-836 2238).

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NEW RELEASES

THE CEMENT GARDEN (18): Uneven adaptation of Ian McEwan's novel about children's games with sexuality and death. Andrew Birkin directs Andrew Robertson, Charlotte Gainsbourg. **Metro** (071-437 0757) **MGMs: Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **Piccadilly** (071-437 3561) **MGM Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148) **Renoir** (071-837 8402)

◆ **DRAGON: THE BRUCE LEE STORY** (15): Inventive, action-packed biography of the martial arts legend, played by Jason Scott Lee (no relation). Rob Cohen directs. **Empire** (071-437 1234/497 9999) **MGM Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332)

◆ **HOMEWARD BOUND: THE INCREDIBLE JOURNEY** (U): Two cats and a dog with human voices (Michael J. Fox, Sally Field, Don Ameche) trek home across the wilderness. Good for tots, toe-curling for adults. **MGM Oxford Street** (071-636 0310) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **West End** (0426 915574)

MANUFACTURING CONSENT: Impassioned, lively epic portrait of Noam Chomsky, radical activist, linguist, philosopher and media analyst. Directors, Peter Wintonick and Mark Achbar **ICA** (071-930 3647)

MR WONDERFUL (12): Electrical worker Mat Dillon tries to find his ex-wife a new man. Disarming candyfloss from director Anthony Minghella; with Annabella Sciorra.

CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆) on release across the country

MGMs: Fulham Road (071-370 2636) **Haymarket** (071-839 1527) **Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148) **Odeon Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098)

ONCE UPON A FOREST (U). Lacklustre cartoon feature with an environmental message, from the Hanna-Barbera company. A bad deal for both children and adults. **MGM Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **Odeon Kensington** (0426 914666) **Warner** (071-437 4343) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332)

CURRENT

LES ENFANTS DU PARADIS (PG): Welcome revival of Marcel Carné and Jacques Prévert's classic — a *triumphant blend of 19th-century stage* history, fantasy and romance. With Arletty, Jean-Louis Barrault, Pierre Brasseur. **MGM Swiss Centre** (071-439 4470)

◆ **THE FIRM** (15): Tom Cruise discovers his law firm fronts for the Mafia. Star power galore, but little meat. With Gene Hackman, Ed Harris. Sydney Pollack directs. **Empire** (071-497 9999) **MGMs: Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332).

JAMON, JAMON (18): Juvenile sexual frolic with unfulfilled pretensions from Catalan director Bigas Luna. With Penelope Cruz, Javier Bardem, Stefania Sandrelli. **MGM Swiss Centre** (071-439 4470)

◆ **MADE IN AMERICA** (12): Doltish cross-cultural farce, made to measure for Whoopi Goldberg and Ted Danson. Richard Benjamin directs. **MGM Trocadero** (071-434 0031).

◆ **THE SECRET GARDEN** (U): Polished version of Frances Hodgson Burnett's classic; a confident mainstream debut for director Agnieszka Holland. With Kate Maberly, Maggie Smith. **MGMs: Baker Street** (071-935 9772) **Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Shaftesbury Avenue** (071-836 6279) **Minema** (071-235 4225) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332) **Warner** (071-437 4343)

◆ **SLEEPLESS IN SEATTLE** (PG): Meg Ryan makes a long-distance play for widower Tom Hanks. Smart but indulgent romantic comedy. **MGM Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **West End** (0426 915574) **Screen on Baker Street** (071-935 2772) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332)

THREE COLOURS: BLUE (15): Brilliantly shot but chilly first instalment of Kieslowski's trilogy. Juliette Binoche as a struggling widow. **Chelsea Cinema** (071-351 3742/3743) **Lumière** (071-836 0691) **Renoir** (071-837 8402)

THEATRE: Real life instantly recreated; and Edinburgh Fringe successes given a London run

Fighting wives at the pit head

Nice Girls
New Victoria
Newcastle-under-Lyme

ROBERT DAY



Into battle, with provisions: Charlotte Barker as Rose in Peter Cheeseman's new docu-drama *Nice Girls*

FOR almost 30 years Peter Cheeseman's theatre-in-the-round has been renowned for ebullient documentaries on local themes. The subjects have included prisoners of war, steelworkers, Methodists, the North Staffordshire Railway, and of course the potteries. But I don't think the theatre has ever reacted so rapidly as it does here. Even Arthur Scargill, sitting in the stalls on opening night, looked a bit stunned as he watched what he himself was doing only last May.

That was when three miners' wives occupied Trentham Colliery, victim of British Coal's hit-list. They got the media interested by pretending that Mrs Scargill was chained alongside them; but in fact they went into action on their own, exasperated by men who seemed simultaneously to feel they should be toiling at the sink and imitating La Passionara. The "male-ego attitude miners have" is often satirised, not least when one of the demonstrating women's husbands comes to command headquarters, apparently to offer support. "Is it alright if I put colours in the wash?" he plaintively asks.

That presumably happened, too, for Cheeseman's documentaries are always based on interviews, tape-recordings and other research undertaken by *him and his cast. And as it suggests. Nice Girls* is far from a pious exercise in raising radical consciousnesses and reactionary hackles. Indeed, I wondered if the audience, which included the women who spent 80 hungry, thirsty hours on a narrow ledge above a 50-foot drop, wasn't being encouraged to laugh too much. The impression was sometimes of a genial Ealing comedy of the 1950s: *The Ladykillers* or, particularly, *Passport to Pimlico*.

Picture respectable housewives scouring the Stoke area for the cheapest possible breaking-in gear and, as a *result of their thrift*, ending up with only two thin chains with which to convince the police that all three of them were pionioned Pankhurst-like to railings. Or picture them rushing lost around the main pitshaft building in search of a good place to occupy, watched by mesmerised security men.

Unluckily, Cheeseman has not dramatised an event described in the programme, the visit of scores of belligerently supportive Liverpool pensioners who "marched about demanding egg and bacon butties and shouting at the security guards that they should get the Cheshires back from Bosnia to rescue the women". But there are several frankly hilarious scenes.

Still, the documentary — staged, as always, with energetic simplicity and, again as always, packed with hummable songs — is not only funny. By the time they emerge from their ordeal, to be welcomed by a beaming Scargill, Alice Arnold, Anna Jaskolka and Jane Wood have convinced you of the women's pluck and resilience, as well as of their very British knack for muddling through. But if the sense of community that marks the evening is real, the rousingly optimistic song that ends it is less so. It will take more than three "nice girls" to save Trentham Colliery. It is, I fear, still doomed.

BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE

Not a lot of laughs

Huge / Tonight I'm Entertaining Richard Gere
King's Head

BOTH these shows won praise at the Edinburgh Festival. A two-man show occupies the main chunk of the evening — "Massive! Incredible!" reported a well-known daily (not this one) — but it is disappointingly slight. The one-woman show that follows, a "Fringe First" winner, is also slight but in staying on for it my hope was that two salted peanuts followed by one roasted peanut might give the illusion that I was being fed something of substance.

First the men, Ben Miller and Simon Godley. There is also a third, Jez Butterworth, who worked with the others to create a script and also directs, but it is Miller and Godley who we see. Miller is best known for his *Gone With Noakes*, an inspired tribute (sort of) to the *Blue Peter* super-hero. He had to play the train-spotter type, a monomaniac nerd (sorry, you guys at the far end of Platform 4), whose humourless dedication became engagingly batty.

In *Huge*, he plays one of a pair of comics, as yet untempered by exposure to any audience, but high on dreams. Warren (Miller) is the bullying kind racked by venemous fantasies about destroying established comics, and forever lecturing Clark (Godley) on the minutiae of technique. Godley looks like the young Schubert and possesses a quality without which any would-be comic must flounder: a sense of humour.

Warren betrays him and attempts to go it alone, but in the second half he has clearly failed because Clark is now partnering Darren (unseen) as a pair of giant chickens in a television show. Warren re-appears, grumpy as ever, but seemingly lures him back. An audience fuelled by goodwill laughed at some sallies and at the sight of Godley pursing his lips as a preliminary to a display of worm-turning. But there is far too little material here. The pair's backgrounds are never so much as suggested.

Miller looks humourless and permits himself some thin smiles: Godley presents a more engaging presence and his routine with a ventriloquist's doll has quality. The press release leads one to suppose that the show will provide a feast drawn from the work of innumerable comics from the Goons onwards. That is a gross distortion.

Cecilia Delatori's 45 minutes contain a number of impersonations, strung on a woman's daydream that the man she met at a fancy-dress party in Muswell Hill was Richard Gere. She has a wide-mouthed beauty, part Fenella Fielding, part Queen Nefertiti, and she accurately gets the sound and look of Dame Edna. There are lines that bring a smile, but these two shows support the old adage that alternative comedy is so called because it offers an alternative to comedy.

JEREMY KINGSTON

OPERA: Bernstein and Menotti deftly revived

Impressive phone bill

Trouble in Tahiti/ The Telephone
ADC Theatre
Cambridge

CAMBRIDGE University Opera Society's entertaining double-bill brings together two satirical vignettes of 20th-century American life. Leonard Bernstein's *Trouble in Tahiti*, first performed in 1952, contrasts the glossy idealisations of radio commercials and Hollywood romance with the sad realities of a disintegrating suburban marriage. Gian Carlo Menotti's 1947 *The Telephone* exploits to comic effect the difficulties that communications technology has placed in the way of real communication.

Bernstein later referred to his first opera as "that cartoon thing", but as this performance made clear, *Trouble in Tahiti* lacks nothing in musical or emotional range. The CUOS producer, Lisa Carter, might usefully have made a sharper distinction between the pathos of the central relationship and the parody of the surrounding fantasy, but she drew finely detailed performances from the inhabitants of this far from ideal home.

As the husband, Mark Campbell-Griffiths suggested the vulnerability beneath the veneer of macho bluster, while Lynette Alcantara gave passionate and sensitive voice to his wife's frustrated longing.

The protagonists in *Trouble in Tahiti* were young professional singers. Those in *The Telephone* were undergraduates, but allowances were neither asked for nor needed. Tim Mirfin brought an artful, expressive clumsiness to the role of the young man whose attempts to propose are constantly interrupted. Vocally, however, he was not entirely at home with an idiom far removed from the staple fare of a choral exhibitioner.

As his cheerfully self-absorbed beloved, Joanna Burton more than compensated. A fine singer and a virtuoso comic actress, she radiated charm and confidence, and simply incorporated the purity and precision of the best English choral singing into her character's already wide repertoire of maddeningly appealing affectations. Musical director Piers Maxim offered well-judged support from the piano, aided in the Bernstein by double bass and drums. There are further performances tonight and tomorrow.

IAN BRUNSKILL

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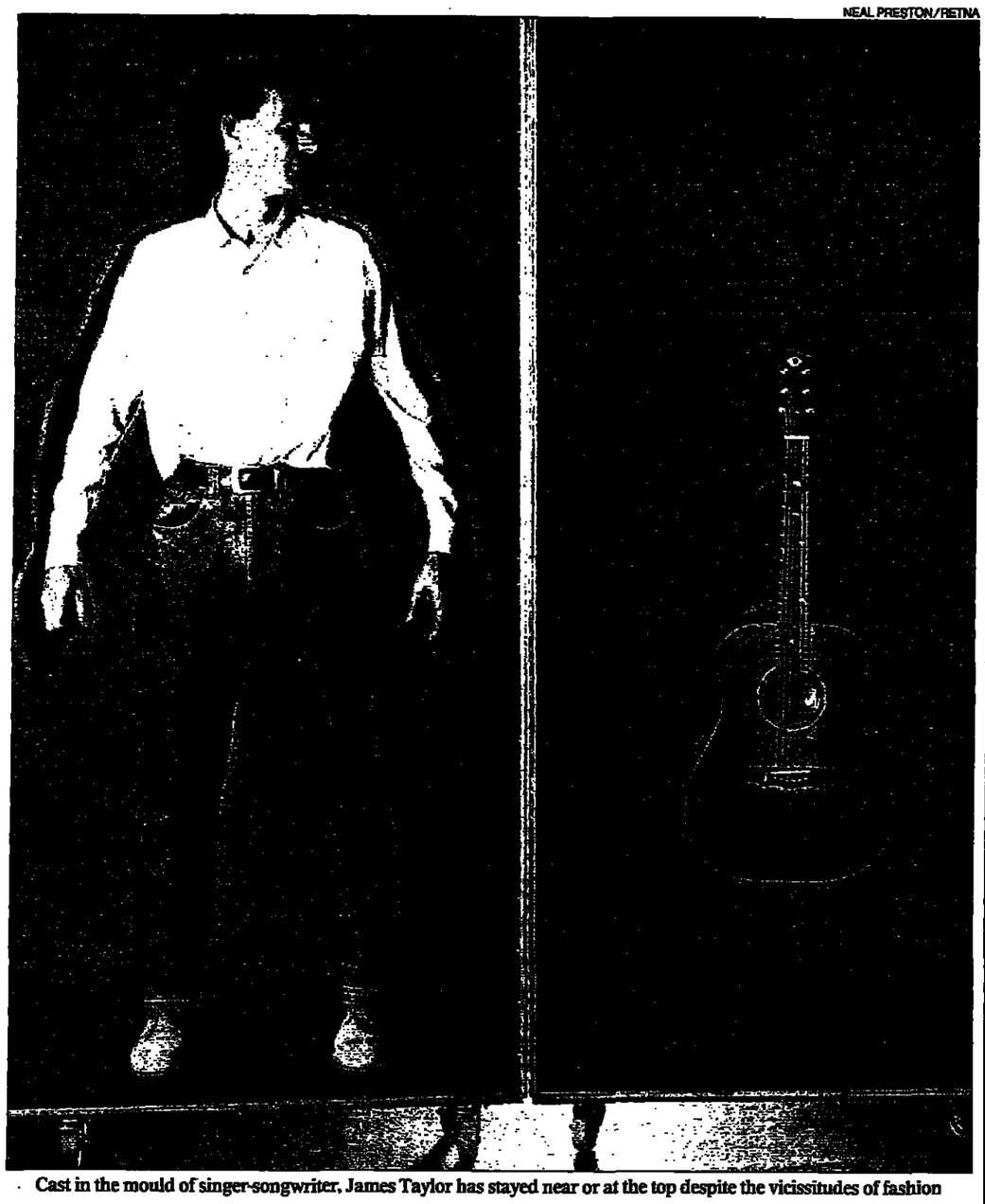
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Rockabye, sweet baby James

The archetypal sensitive singer-songwriter, James Taylor is alive, off drugs and living in the future, not the past. **Paul Sexton** met him



NEAL PRESTON/RETNA

Cast in the mould of singer-songwriter, James Taylor has stayed near or at the top despite the vicissitudes of fashion

Name the year: the sensitive song-smith was rock 'n' roll's growth industry. No self-respecting record collection was complete without Carole King's *Tapestry* or Joni Mitchell's *Blue*. And *everyone* had two James Taylor records: *Sweet Baby James* and *Mud Slide Slim and the Blue Horizon*. They adorned the British charts for almost two years. Taylor made the cover of *Time* and began a high profile courtship of Carly Simon. It was — you guessed, of course — 1971.

Then the critical brotherhood, most notably in Britain, decided that "singer-songwriter" belonged in an updated Roget's under "wimp", and that Taylor was the ringleader of these sappy sentimentalists. Few artists' British careers can have been discredited quite as quickly or cruelly. Dog-eared copies of those albums may still make furtive appearances at dinner parties, but Taylor has rarely appeared in the British charts for more than 20 years.

But in markedly less fashion-conscious America, Taylor's records have continued to sell dependably. Quietly, he has continued to craft impressive new songs such as "Letter In The Mail" from 1988's *Never Die Young* and "The Frozen Man" on *New Moon Shine* (1991). In the summer he released *James Taylor Live*, his first in-concert album, and it cruised into the US Top 20 in its first week of release.

The album, released in Britain on Columbia this month, is a two-hour, 30-song celebration of a set that still includes Taylor's calling-card compositions such as "Fire & Rain", "You've Got A Friend" and "Carolina In My Mind", but also later pieces such as "Mexico", "Up On The Roof" and "Copperline".

On a brief return visit to London, where he spent a formative year at the end of 1960s, Taylor amiably reflects on a career that seems, from a distance, to be one endless tour. "Every other year I'll put in five months, and that's not too bad," he says. "After a number of years, in my case 25, I really enjoy doing this. The idea for me now is to make the schedule work so well that it looks like a life, rather than some ordeal that you get through and then live your life afterwards." The album, free from any artificial additives such as overdubbing, was intended as a truthful aural memento.

> 'My drug use was not a wild and savage thing, but a conservative, controlling thing'

"You can record something live and then take it in the studio and start messing with it and replacing things and fixing things, but I think that's another kind of album, it's not really live," he says. "I think my live performance is better than my work in the studio, and I wanted something that represented it well."

The record includes two songs from the eponymous debut with which the Boston-born singer became instantly newsworthy in 1968, after Peter Asher, his English manager and producer, secured Taylor a recording deal with the Beatles' new Apple label. It was a time of creative exhilaration, and of an indulgence in hard drugs that dominated his life for many years. "Things had dried up for me back home, my band in New York had folded and my initial bout with addiction had laid me low and sent me back home in tatters. I recuperated in North Carolina for a couple of months, but there was nothing for me there. It was clear that I needed to set forth and to take a trip somewhere."

And so he came to London. "I had no plans whatsoever, no plans to make a record. I brought my guitar, I was going to try to find some way to make music and support myself. When I got here, friends were very encouraging about my trying to make a record and do something with my music. I got my stuff to Peter Asher and he signed me to Apple, which had just been formed. It happened very quickly after getting here, it was terrific."

Paul McCartney and George Harrison played on *James Taylor*. "I was a huge Beatles fan. They were recording the White Album, mostly in Trident Studios in Soho, and that's where I was recording too. I was using the time they weren't using, so I would sit there and watch sessions and overdubs and listen to playbacks."

Taylor is finally able to put his drug problems of that era in context. "I look at my drug use as starting with Thorazine, which is a therapeutic anti-psychotic that I was put on clinically when I was young. I generally think that my drug use was, on some level, not recreational but therapeutic, and it was not a wild and savage thing, it was always a conservative, withdrawn and controlling thing.

"In the end, it was simply too narrow. It's not that it was too crazy or too wild, it was damn narrow. I felt as though I lived on a postage stamp. I felt as though I was going into a phone booth as Clark Kent to become Superman but I ended up spending all my time in the phone booth. It took a long time to seep in that this thing was not my best friend any more, and that was about ten years ago, a day at a time ten years ago, which is just starting to be enough time to learn how to live."

Highly respected by his peers, Taylor is contributing to an ambitious new album by another great American troubadour, Randy Newman, who has written a musical adaptation of the Faust legend. Taylor has joined a superstar cast that includes Elton John, Don Henley, Linda Ronstadt and Bonnie Raitt. "Randy is one of my real heroes, he's a real American writer," Taylor says. "There's a real dark side, a real cynical thing that I think some people find hard to eat with their cornflakes or something. He has a *Faust* that I suppose is destined sooner or later to be performed on stage, but he's making an album of it first. He asked me to play God. Of course, his God is a real buffoon, to me his God is somewhere between Arnold Palmer and Bing Crosby, a real suburban kind of guy with a terrible taste in clothes, probably, and very full of himself."

From that lofty position, Taylor can look down and envisage that the road stretches out a few more years ahead of him. "If you'd asked me when I was 20 how long I'd be at this, I would definitely have said I'd be out of it by now, not that I ever thought of it in any clear way. Then you look at people like B.B. King or Loretta Lynn, and say: 'You know, it's OK to do repetitive practice of something as long as you try to evolve and try not to become wax fruit.'"

NEW WAVES

The insider's guide to the Next Big Thing

Film buffs will have fun with **Dread Zone's** *360°*. The cinematic references splashed about on this inventive album include *A Chinese Ghost Story*, Tsui Hark's mystic martial arts epic, Ennio Morricone's score for *The Good, the Bad and the Ugly* and one of those chilling Robert Mitchum dissertations on tattoos taken from *The Night of The Hunter*.

Although the name Dread Zone suggests a no-go region stocked with kung fu fighters, men with no names and deranged preachers, the band does, in fact, comprise two rather unassuming musicians.

Greg Roberts once played drums with Big Audio Dynamite, that band of "collage punks" formed by former Clash luminary Mick Jones.

After leaving BAD, Roberts and "visual provocateur" Don Letts attempted to take a step forward with a reggae-influenced project entitled Screaming Target.

The times were not propitious, however. Until Roberts met recording technician Tim Bran, a bass player who had actually braved the rigours of a Julian Cope tour, nothing seemed to fall into place.

The revived enthusiasm for dub reggae offered Roberts and Bran a context. With its subterranean bass lines, reggae rimshots, trance rhythms and mixes receding into distant landscapes, their first album hits a spot only occupied previously by the Orb. In fact, supplemented by two more musicians, Dread Zone recently performed live as guests of the Orb.

Perhaps this is a movement in the making: other electronic bands using an ambient trance vocabulary are now taking their music to the stage. Higher Intelligence Agency, for example, have been playing live versions of their excellent new album, *Colourform*, in clubs.

If more of these recording collectives find ways to translate their soundscapes into real performances, then this embryonic movement may very well turn into a fully fledged trend.

DAVID TOOP

SEVEN DAYS

WHAT'S OUT AND ABOUT

SINGLES: "Cryin'" by **Aerosmith** (Geffen) is sure to register high in next week's charts. A big, rock 'n' roll ballad, it is released to coincide with the group's British tour. They play NEC, Birmingham (021 780 4133) tomorrow and Sunday; SECC, Glasgow, (041 248 3000) October 29; Wembley Arena (081-900 1234) December 7 & 8.

The Ya Ya's, a young five-piece from Oldham, release their debut single "See No Ran" (Turner Street), an infectious slice of twangy, 1960s-style retro-pop.

The Julie Dolphin, a quartet with roots in New Zealand, have a misty, girl-vocal, indie-popsound. Their catchy new single, "Birthday" (Timbuktu) sounds like the Cocteau Twins on amphetamine. The B-side, "Hemmed In", is a more robust performance.

BOOKS: *The Man In The Gren Shirt*, a biography of **Miles Davis** by Richard Williams is published by Bloomsbur (£18.99). The sturdy (double-spaced) text is complemented by a classy layout and many fabulous photographs.

"Prolific" seems a rather modest description of **Geoffrey Giuliano**. He turns out rock biographies by the yard. His latest, *The Illustrated Paul McCartney*, *The Illustrated John Lennon*, *The Illustrated George Harrison* (all £9.9) and *The Beatles: A Celebration* (£16.95) are all published by Sunburst Books. Poo Ringo!

TELEVISION: Show up for a live recording of ITV's *The Bea*. Special 30-minute sets to be performed by Grant Lee Buffalo, Pop Will Eat Itself, Utal Saints and the Dylans at New London Astoria, London WC (071-434 0403) Tuesday, 7pm £12.

VIDEOS: **David Bowie's** longform video of his current album *Black Tie White Noise* (BMG), includes live performances of six of the tracks, directed by David Mallet.

Gisme Shelter (Polygram) is thecelebrated documentary of events leading up to and including the **Rolling Stones's** fatefu appearance at the Altamont festival in 1969. A chilling scenario unfolds, culminating in the stabbing to death of a fan.

VARIOUS ARTISTS
Tougher Than Tough — The Story Of Jamaican Music
(Mango 518 399; four discs)
ONLY a few years ago reports mourning the demise of reggae were commonplace. As its popularity seemed to wane, so the absence of a new reggae superstar capable of picking up the baton dropped by Bob Marley was taken to be symptomatic of a fatal malaise.

But like the blues, with which it shares many characteristics, reggae has proved more resilient, more influential and ultimately more widely appealing than anyone would have dared predict. Thanks in large part to an infusion of energy and ideas borrowed from rap, the new styles of dancehall and ragga have recently evolved, giving the music a fresh lease of life.

Tougher Than Tough is thus a timely compilation that traces the modern musical history of the island where reggae was born, and which continues to exert a global influence out of all proportion to its limited resources and tiny population (less than two-and-a-half million).

A 95-song, four-disc, boxed set, the collection starts with the choppy ska of the Folkes Brothers' "Oh Carolina", an obscure local hit in Jamaica in 1960, and ends with Shaggy's ragga version of the same song, a No 1 in Britain earlier this year. Lying between the happy symmetry of these two landmarks is an immense tract of music that has never stopped growing.

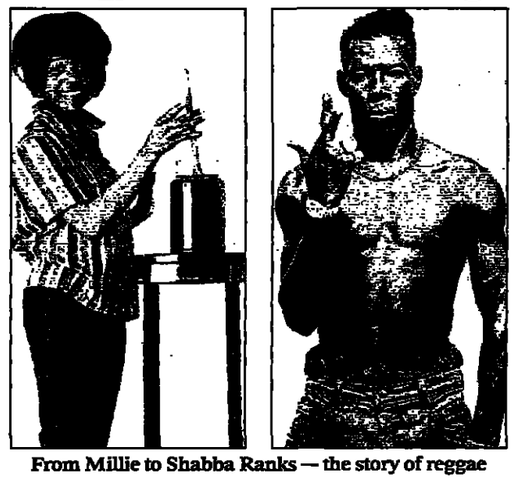
Organised roughly chronologically, early tracks like Millie's "My Boy Lollipop" (1964), Alton Ellis's "Girl I've Got A Date" (1966) and Desmond Dekker's "Israelites" (1968) trace the gradual transformation of ska into reggae via rocksteady.

Subsequent developments, reflecting political and social change, are encompassed by everything from the melodic lovers' rock of Ken Boothe's "Everything I Own", to the aggressive "slackness" (profanity) of Shabba Ranks's "Wicked Inna Bed" and the genial raggamuffin chant of Half Pint's "Greetings".

Original versions of songs subsequently popularised by rock acts abound, among them Junior Murvin's "Police And Thieves" and Willie Williams's "Armagideon Time" (both covered by the Clash) and Eric Donaldson's "Cherry Oh Baby", later recorded by the Rolling Stones and UB40.

NEW ALBUMS: Reggae sunsplash

Trenchtown top-ranking



From Millie to Shabba Ranks — the story of reggae

And, as if to underline how far the music has emerged from under his shadow, Marley is represented by only one track (as a solo act), the classic "No Woman No Cry" recorded live at the Lyceum.

With many rare pictures and detailed annotation, this is a fascinating and educational celebration of a unique and glorious heritage.

LLOYD COLE
Bad Vibes
(Fontana 518 318)
SINCE severing ties with his backing group the Commotions in 1988, Lloyd Cole has become locked into a pattern of diminishing returns, commercially if not artistically. *Bad Vibes* is unlikely to arrest the decline, despite some affecting songs and superlative musicianship.

The problem is Cole's own rather ineffectual delivery. He writes nice songs that are often pregnant with emotion and soulful nuance, but then struggles to achieve the vocal performances needed to do them justice.

"My Way To You", a love song graced with heart-tugging, neo-Hendrix guitar flurries, is among the more convincing tracks, and "Fall Together" has a neat, super-taut riff. But when Cole affects an intimate croak, or tries to come over all sensual, as on "Wild Mushrooms", the cracks begin to show.

WARREN ZEVON
Learning To Flinch
(Giant 74321 14803)
IT has taken an erratic nature and a continuing miracle of bad timing to deny Warren Zevon a place at rock's top table, but there it is; 12 albums released since 1970, and still operating with heroic panache from the margins.

With all but three of its songs culled from those previous releases, *Learning To Flinch* is something of a stopgap album. Recorded live in Europe, America and Australia during his one-man world tour last year, it captures Zevon without a band in what he calls his "heavy metal folksinger" mode.

At its best, on favourites like "Splendid Isolation", "Werewolves Of London" and an especially stark reading of "Boom Boom Mancini", the effect is not unlike an unplugged Neil Young with a deep, resonant voice, or a folk-era Bob Dylan capable of playing decent 12-string guitar, harmonica and keyboards and also singing in tune.

But he seems over-stretched at times, as if battling to make the best of the limited resources at his disposal. His guitar sounds rather tinny and there is a do-it-yourself feel to the production which tends to weediness.

VARIOUS ARTISTS
Common Thread: The Songs Of The Eagles
(Giant 74321 16677)
THE idea of corralling a bunch of latterday country stars — including Vince Gill, Brooks & Dunn, Alan Jackson, Suzy Bogguss, Trisha Yearwood and others — and getting them to record updated versions of old Eagles songs, says more about the production values of Nashville in the 1990s than it does about the music of the Eagles.

There could be no clearer evidence that today's country is virtually indistinguishable from yesterday's soft rock than to hear the drums come crashing in half-way through Clint Black's rendition of "Desperado" or John Anderson romping along to the boogie backbeat of "Heartache Tonight", or Travis Tritt adjusting his nasal twang not one whit in order to sing "Take It Easy" the way it was always meant to be sung.

Despite several notable omissions — "Hotel California", "One Of These Nights", "Life In The Fast Line" — the new country establishment has plainly taken to a repertoire that once defined West Coast "melodic rock" like the proverbial duck to water.

DAVID SINCLAIR

TOP TEN ALBUMS

1	Everything Changes	Take That (RCA)
2	Bat Out Of Hell II — Back Into Hell	Meatloaf (Virgin)
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6	Elegant Slumming	M People (deConstruction)
7	Together Alone	Crowded House (Capitol)
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MOTORING

Coming clean over petrol

Is cut-price petrol destroying your car engine? **Kevin Eason** reveals the disturbing result of a *Times* special investigation

The damage can be done in weeks and leave an engine wheezing and gulping for air like the worst 60-a-day smoker. There is finally evidence to show that the fuel you feed your engine is as important as the nutrition that goes into the human body for a healthy life.

While doctors bombard us with statistics to show that smoking, fats and heavy drinking make up the diet that could lead to a physical collapse and death, there is little or no advice on the diet of petrol that can turn engines into terminal patients.

It took only 40 hours to prove the point. At the request of *The Times*, Ricardo Consulting Engineers conducted a test which showed that millions of motorists could be buying petrol that will clog the engines of their cars.

What we wanted to discover was whether it is worth the effort of finding a garage which sold petrol with detergent additives.

The answer is that it is, and the startling results from the Ricardo tests for *The Times* will be shown to thousands of visitors to the London Motor Show at Earls Court over the next week.

The problem with petrol advertising is that it washes over motorists like the latest advertising for the best brand of washing powder: it all looks the same and appears to do the same job, so how could anyone know whether it is the best or not?

Fill up with cheap petrol from the local supermarket and the car will travel to school, work and home seemingly in the same way as if you filled up with a branded, detergent-mixed petrol. It still takes the same length of time to get to school, work or home, and there are no obvious problems.

If the supermarket petrol is cheap by the gallon, however, it could prove to be costly in the long run if these tests by Ricardo are taken into account.

COST-CUTTING

SUPERMARKET petrol can be almost 15p a gallon cheaper than ordinary filling stations, according to a survey carried out by the Automobile Association.

The AA checked filling stations nationwide throughout September to discover that the average supermarket price for 95 octane unleaded petrol was 211.54p (46.53p a litre) compared with the national average of 226.44p (49.81p). The same gap was true for four-star leaded: 234.28p (51.53p) on supermarket forecourts compared with 249.39p (54.86).

However, petrol prices in Britain are still among the cheapest in Europe, according to the AA table. Only Luxembourg has a cheaper price per litre, at 45.5p, while in Germany the average is 57.26p, in France 63.29p and in Italy 66.81p.

Ricardo, as the independent examiners and one of the world's most authoritative companies on engine development, took a standard production Vauxhall Astra four-cylinder, 1.2-litre engine and put it to the bench test by running it for 40 hours — the equivalent of 1,200 miles of stop-start motoring around town.

Two cylinders ran on standard petrol, the fuel that is bought directly from the refinery by dozens of companies which stock independent garages and supermarkets.

The other two ran on Shell Advanced Petrol, selected by *The Times* as a fuel typically produced by major oil companies. The major companies, such as Shell, usually take petrol from the refinery but then inject their own additives to come up with a distinctive fuel. The result is a cocktail as different from the base product as champagne is from the grape.

At least, that is what the Ricardo test proved emphatically. The inlet valves which fed Shell Advanced into the Vauxhall engine were 350 times cleaner than their twins only inches away.

When Ricardo engineers removed the inlet valves, they discovered only 1.5 milligrams of carbon deposits on the Shell-fuelled side. The inlet valves to the other two cylinders were covered in a black, sticky deposit of 563 milligrams of carbon — enough to set an engine on the path to a life of poor performance, high fuel consumption and early wear.

What is shocking is how short a time it took for the build-up of dirt to start clogging the engine — a problem which has already exercised the minds of key executives in the motor industry.

BMW was first to sound the alert, discovering a number of its models "coking up", like mechanical junkies, and turning into jumpy, unreliable versions of what should have been smooth-running saloons.

Since then, Ford and Rover have joined 20 other motor companies advising that their customers use only petrol with additives because of the effects of carbon deposits.

The problem has shown itself so dramatically only since the advent of the fuel-injected engine. Old-fashioned carburettor-controlled engines were much more forgiving, prepared to coke up and still feed fuel through, even if its mixture was an inefficient blend.

The results were not pretty, with engines throwing out more-than-necessary gas emissions while performance fell off the graph and fuel consumption became an embarrassment... but they always worked, after a fashion.

However, the new breed of high-performance engines need fuel injectors which deliver precise amounts of fuel and air to the engine, particularly those which have catalytic converters (effectively regulation equipment on new cars since new environmental regulations last January 1).

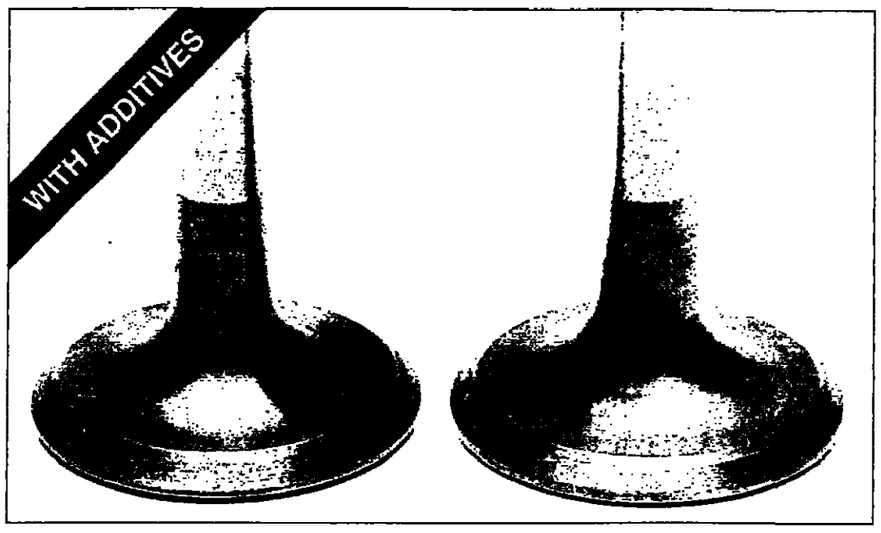
Once those injectors or other parts of the engine are covered in filth, the system breaks down, leading to power loss, reduced fuel economy and potentially fatal damage to the catalyst.

Dr Cathryn Hickey, technical fuels manager at Shell UK, warns that new cars driven off the forecourt could be wheezing and spluttering after 10,000 miles and in the sort of state that would need significant repairs by about 20,000 miles.

"We have seen many claims that it simply does not matter what sort of petrol you put into the car," she says. "The evidence from around the world and here in the UK is that it does matter vitally that detergents are present in petrol for the smooth and long running of a car engine.

"Apart from the environmental benefits of a 12 per cent reduction in carbon monoxide emissions and a 2 or 3 per cent improvement in fuel economy, there is the fact that the engine life is so much greater because it is clean and working efficiently.

"People take care about what goes into their bodies and a car is no different; it needs the right fuel to perform well."



Different strokes — above, inlet valves on a car using Shell Advanced petrol; below, the result of cheap fuel

Top Ten money savers

Citroën and Fiat take the prizes

The Chancellor's hand is poised to raid the household purse again next month. Which are the cars that can save the motorist money and help balance the budget?

A report from Leasecontracts has singled out the cheapest ten cars on the road to run. The title of most miserly model is shared: Citroën's AX Debut costs just 24.4p per mile to buy, insure and maintain; Fiat's new Cinquecento mini-car is about £800 cheaper to buy but has the same cost per mile figure of 24.4p because of its slightly heavier fuel consumption. The Cinquecento returns 47.6 miles to the gallon on average, compared with the Citroën's impressive 48.6mpg.

Leasecontracts, one of Britain's biggest leasing companies, takes into account depreciation, breakdown cover and running over 12,000 miles in its Company Car Cost Calculator. The list of dozens of models, from the everyday to the exotic, makes fascinating reading.

Rover's Metro keeps up its challenge in third place. Although somewhat long in the tooth, the Metro range has been revitalised by the addition of the K-series engine range with the 1.1-litre offering 45.6 mpg for a running cost of 25p per mile.

Rover's Mini — coming up for its 35th birthday — has been left well behind by its more modern competitors, slipping to ninth place in the league table. Fuel consumption at 40.6mpg means the car falls back to a running cost of 27.4p per mile.

SEE HOW THEY RUN

Citroën AX	24.4p per mile
Fiat Cinquecento	24.4p
Rover Metro 1.1 Quest	25.0p
Vauxhall Corsa 1.2i	25.7p
Renault Clio Prima 1.2	26.1p
Ford Fiesta 1.1CFi	26.7p
Nissan Micra 1.0L	26.7p
Peugeot 106XN 1.1i	26.9p
Rover Mini Mayfair	27.4p
Rover Metro 1.1C	27.6p

Classic opportunity at the show

The days of absurd prices are over

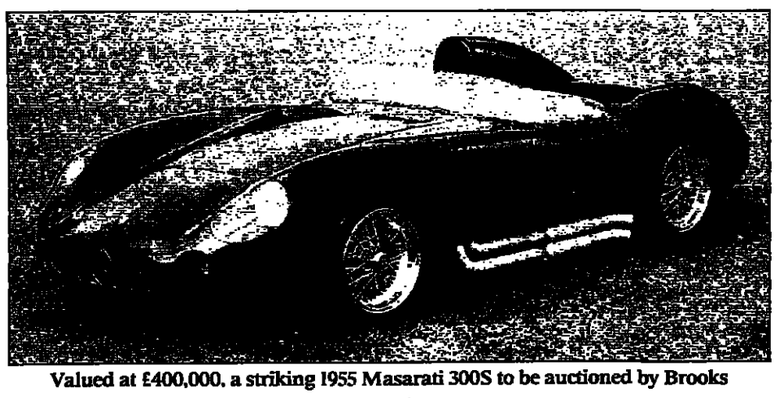
Classic car lovers visiting the London Motor Show over the next week will make straight for a mouth-watering selection of historic vehicles on display and for sale on Level Two of the Earls Court exhibition hall.

These glamorous automobiles are the show's stars, a wonderful blend of technology and art and light years away from today's super-efficient but bland models.

Prices for collectors' cars soared to absurd heights towards the end of the 1980s, but when the inevitable happened and the bubble burst, genuine enthusiasts as well as speculators got their fingers burnt.

Today classic car prices are at the levels of six years ago, before the boom, and confidence is returning. Analysts believe the ludicrously high prices of 1989 will never be seen again and that now is a good time for the genuine enthusiast to buy.

One of the most gorgeous cars on display is the 55-year-old Embiricos Bentley being shown by Paradise Garage, of southwest London, and valued at about £500,000. This striking car, forerunner of the Corniche, was the first to compete in and finish three Le Mans 24-hour races.



Valued at £400,000, a striking 1955 Masarati 300S to be auctioned by Brooks

Not all of the vehicles on display are priced in the king's ransom league. The Brooks auction house includes in the £1 million-worth of cars to be sold next week a charming selection of popular classics. This includes a 1965 1.6 litre Singer Gazelle Mark V, bought originally for £737 14s 1d, and likely to sell for between £800 and £1,200.

The most valuable car Brooks will auction is a striking blood-red 1955 Masarati 300S which was raced in Argentina. Valued now at about £400,000, this car would have fetched more than £1m in 1989.

James Knight, of Brooks, says: "Now is a good time to buy cars like these. We are beginning to see money coming back in to the market place and people are willing to pay for the right sort of car, which is one in good condition and with a good provenance. Anything in between is still quite difficult to sell. Money is coming back because of low interest rates, which means people are realising that their money in the bank is not doing much for them."

Many of the cars being sold today are in better condition than they were when they were valued at twice as much. Speculators entering the market in the late 1980s paid for extensive restorations to recoup their money by selling later on. Many of the cars on sale are thus recent and excellent restorations.

A beautifully restored 3 litre Austin Healey will sell for about £25,000 compared with the £50,000 it would have fetched three years ago. A gorgeous dark blue 3.4 litre Jaguar Mark 2 will go for about £10,000, or the price of a modern Euro-box saloon.

James Knight says: "People buying now can feel comfortable that this time next year their classic car will be worth much the same. Compare that with buying a modern car which drops 30 per cent in value the moment you first drive it."

The Brooks auctions of collectors' motor cars and automobilia will be held at the London Motor Show, Earls Court, on the evening of October 26 and the auction of popular classics on the evening of October 28.

VAUGHAN FREEMAN

From cars to bikes

ATTENTION shifts from the four-wheeled exhibits of the London Motor Show to two wheels at the National Exhibition Centre in Birmingham next week for the start of the International Motorcycle Show. Bikes from raunchy racers to scooters will be on show from October 26 until October 31.

Turkish delight

THE Escort, Britain's most popular car for the past decade, is about to go into production in Turkey. The company announced that output will start in November at a plant near Istanbul, with production volume rising to 21,000 cars a year by 1995 — three times as many as the number of Escorts sold in the UK in September.

ROADWISE

VW offer

Owners of sturdy veteran Volkswagens up to six years old can extend their breakdown cover for a further two years for an extra £30 a year. The only requirement is to have the car serviced at one of VW's 320 British dealers.

Audi challenger

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IS the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency guilty of a sudden attack of sexism? Licence numbers up for sale tomorrow (10am, Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, London) include L1 NDA for about £20,000, 25 SUE (£3,500), 4 PAM (£3,200), 5 JOY (3,300) and 6 PAT (3,600).



Into the black

ROLLS-ROYCE is set for a return to profit this year with sales for the first nine months at 1,033 cars compared with 1,019 in the same period of 1992 — a good performance at a time when sales of luxury cars are struggling.

What's in a name?

VAUXHALL was ready to launch its new leisure vehicle at the London Motor Show with its name, the Scamp, but discovered with hours to go that the title was registered to Peugeot. A quick lick of paint and change to the press releases and the car became the Traka at its unveiling on Wednesday.

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The heart of the City

Through its investment and support, the workforce of the Square Mile is determined to play a role in projects that will help re-shape the quality of life for many young and unemployed people. John Young examines the latest Dragon Awards initiative

History has seen to it that the City of London stands surrounded on three sides by some of the poorest boroughs in the capital. The contrast between the gleaming temples of Mammon, the shrines to free enterprise and international capitalism, and the dreary streets and housing estates that lie immediately north, east and across the river to the south is one that no observer can miss.

It is accentuated, moreover, by the fact that the City is almost entirely a daytime workplace for hundreds of thousands of commuters who desert it by night and at weekends. Their homes and social lives are elsewhere, in many cases outside London altogether. The Square Mile does not easily engender a sense of community, let alone an interest in its less fortunate neighbours. But there is a growing belief that the City should not only show more concern for deprivation, but should be seen to be doing something about it.

A survey just published by Opinion Leader Research supports this view, after a poll of 700 top decision-makers confirmed that 81 per cent said that being socially responsible provides a competitive edge in business. Call it conscience or self-interest, but the fact is that it does the City's image no good to appear obsessed solely with wealth creation and to stand aloof from those who badly need help.

It was with this in mind that the Lord Mayor of London's Awards for Business Involvement in the Community — the Dragon Awards — were launched in July 1987. The aim of the awards is to highlight, and give recognition to some examples of the significant contributions that London businesses make to the improvement of community life and employment opportunities throughout the country, and by their example to encourage other organisations to become involved.

The scheme was launched with the enthusiastic backing of the Prince of Wales and is administered on behalf of the Corporation of London by Business in the Community. This year the London Broadcasting Company, Britain's first independent radio station, agreed to assist with its promotion.

The award is open to London-based businesses of any size, private or public, trade associations or institutions, corporate trusts or foundations. The launch earlier this year took place at the head office of News International in Wapping, where the speakers included Sir Francis McWilliams, the Lord Mayor of London, and Julia Cleverdon, chief executive of Business in the Community.

The awards are divided into five main categories:

- Employee involvement. Activity involving as many employees as possible, either in teams or individually, such as raising funds or providing advice and assistance to community projects.



The Lord Mayor of London, Sir Francis McWilliams

- Opportunities for people. The provision of training and work-experience opportunities, particularly for school leavers and the unemployed.
- Community investment. The provision of loans and other assistance for projects concerned with urban regeneration or improvement of the physical fabric of deprived areas.
- City enterprise. Support for the development of small businesses in areas of inner-city stress or high unemployment.
- Community service. The organisation by firms and institutions of community service schemes and events in which the company and its employees provide free help for charitable and voluntary activities.

There were a record 86 entries this year and the judges felt the standard was so high that they decided to increase the number of awards from five to six, and to make a joint special award to three companies involved in one particular project.

Apart from the award winners described elsewhere in this report, a number of other entries were felt to be particularly impressive. They included:

- Shell UK Ltd, which has sponsored Waste Watch since its launch by the National Council for Voluntary Organisations in 1987. Its purpose is to promote action on reuse and recycling, and it works with community groups, voluntary organisations, local authorities, businesses, schoolchildren and individuals. Shell contributed £75,000 last year to the scheme.
- BAT Industries plc. A senior member of the company's staff was appointed to the City Challenge Steering Group last January to lobby ministers and environment department officials. The result was a successful bid for Lambeth — not one of the government's favourite councils — for funding. A previous secretary of state is said to have told the council not to bother applying, but residents of Brixton will now benefit from schemes costing £180 million.
- Burger King. During last year the company, in association with GrandMet Trust, initiated a training programme for homeless people from East London.
- TSB Group plc. More than 190 of the bank's staff are school governors, of whom half have been recruited in the past year and all of whom have financial and administrative backgrounds.

They are encouraged to spend as much time in schools as they can. The bank has also appointed more than 150 school liaison officers who help with money management, careers advice, mock interviews and the preparation of application forms for jobs and for places in higher education.

- The National Association of Master Bakers. In February this year, the Princess Royal launched Doughnut Week at Bakers' Hall in the City of London.

Bakers all over the country agreed to donate a proportion of their takings to the Save the Children Fund. Some 280 bakery businesses representing 13,000 shops took part and raised £45,700.

- Magellan Medical Communications. The company has helped the Parkinson's Disease Society and other neurological charities to present their case to people and organisations in a position to help. It enabled the neurological charities to launch their response to the government's *Health of the Nation* document and insured that the minister for health attended the meeting.

The comments of the Mowlem Group, one of this year's award winners, help in the understanding of problems which the scheme helps to alleviate. When it opened its training centre in Tower Hamlets in 1989, it quickly became clear that many of the long-term unemployed applying for courses could not "make the starting grid" because of inability to read, write or do simple arithmetic. One-quarter of them were severely disadvantaged.

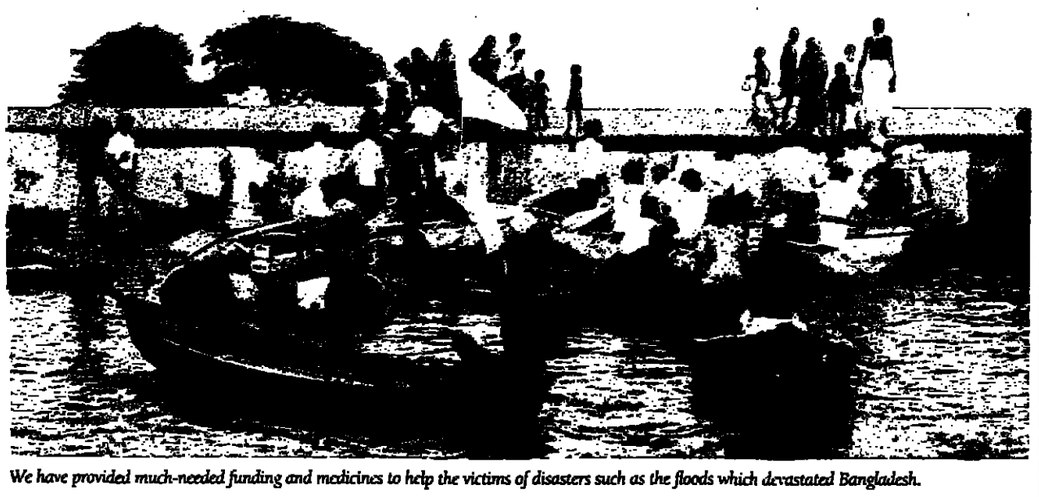
"The problem in Docklands was so acute that the answer lay in setting up a specialised unit in the centre and controlling the pace of training, linking literacy and numeracy to the particular craft," the company says.

The Adult Literacy and Basic Skills Unit is now integrated into the building craft's training programme at several of the company's centres, where trainees progress from basic literacy and numeracy to advance costings and materials calculations and the skills needed for craft certificates.



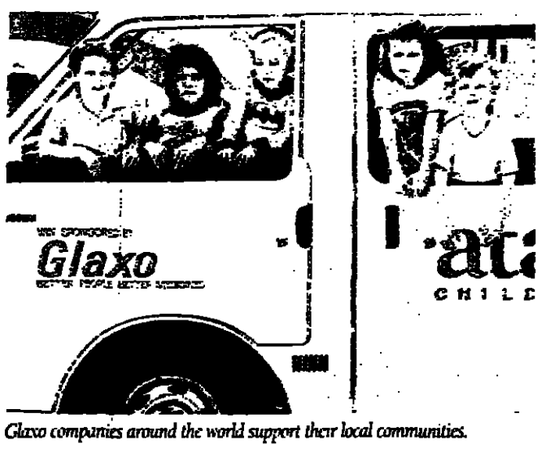
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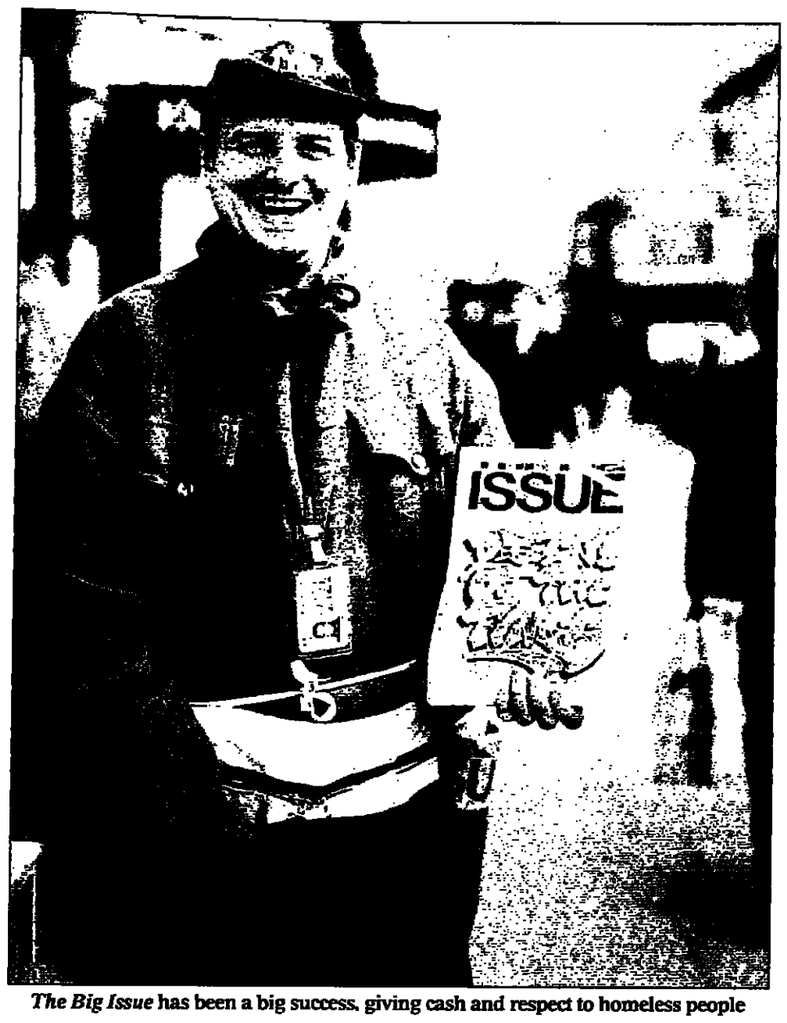
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The organisations that have been chosen as this year's good neighbours. **John Young** reports

Winners in the community



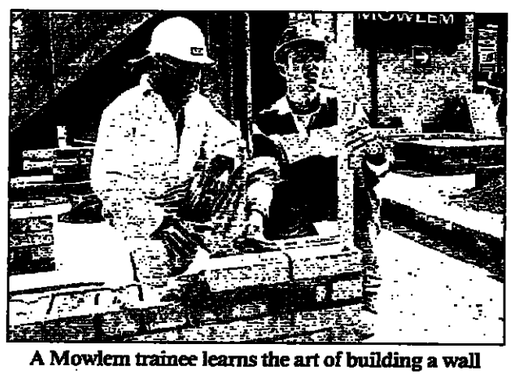
The Big Issue has been a big success, giving cash and respect to homeless people



MIKE POWELL

Don MacDonald, of the Foyer Federation, pictured with young homeless trainees

'The work we're doing is for the benefit of the community, and it involves everybody because our views are taken into account'



A Mowlem trainee learns the art of building a wall

LLOYD'S

SINCE 1989, when Lloyd's of London initiated its community programme, the insurance market has had to navigate a much publicised sea of troubles, but its commitment to the deprived Spitalfields ward, in nearby Tower Hamlets, has remained intact.

Its involvement in education began in January 1991, when six Lloyd's firms formed links with three Tower Hamlets schools. A survey indicated a number of particular needs, including good "user-friendly" BTEC and A level curriculum material, and the involvement of adults other than teachers to support classroom work.

Lloyd's community programme, in partnership with Norfolk TVEI, and Tower Hamlets education department, has produced five curriculum-based BTEC and A level projects at a fraction of the normal cost. They are written by teachers for teachers, to national curriculum requirements, using expert volunteers from the Lloyd's market.

So far 14 of the 15 secondary schools in the borough, and several primary and special schools, have established links with 18 firms taking part in the programme. About 60 managers and employees of Lloyd's member firms are directly involved, and at least twice as many more are voluntary participants. It is estimated that more than £600,000 has been directed towards the Spitalfields community in cash, time and material help.

FOYER FEDERATION

THE Foyer Federation was launched in June last year by Grand Metropolitan and Shelter with the aim of helping young people at risk of being trapped in the "no home no job, no job no home" cycle. It is based on a successful programme in France, which provides about 100,000 young people with accommodation, training and advice.

The federation will co-ordinate the development of a similar network across the country, offering young people a place to live, train and help in finding a job all under one roof.

So far seven foyer projects have been established, with a further seven in the pipeline this year and another 18 at the planning stage. The government has agreed to fund a design competition, organised by Shelter and the Architectural Association, and has seconded two staff to the federation.

Grand Metropolitan has committed £100,000 for the first three years, and a number of other corporate sponsors have since added their support.

JOHN MOWLEM

IN Birkenhead, one of the most run-down and underprivileged areas of the Wirral, John Mowlem Construction has joined forces with local people to launch an employment and training scheme linked to the refurbishment of the Rivers estate. The project is part of the environment department's estate action programme to tackle social problems and decline in inner cities.

A training centre on the site provided 15 people with instruction and practical experience in various building trades in the first year. Four of them are now employed by Mowlem, another four have obtained full-time jobs elsewhere, and the company has contracted to take on a total of 50 unemployed people over three years.

An important benefit of the scheme has been the opportunity it provides for local people to become involved in the refurbishment of their own and their neighbours' homes, while at the same time qualifying for future employment. A trainee plumber, who lives on the estate, said it offered a real chance of a job and a future. "The work we're doing is for the benefit of the community, and it involves everybody because our opinions are taken into account."

THE BODY SHOP

THE Body Shop and its foundation have contributed £230,000 to *The Big Issue*, claimed to be London's fastest growing magazine, and the first publication to be aimed specifically at the homeless. Since September 1991, its circulation has risen from 30,000 to more than 150,000, and for the past year it has broken even.

Although its success might be seen as a reflection of a growing social problem, its upbeat approach has encouraged many of its readers to take a more positive and confident attitude. Several of its staff, numbering more than 30, were formerly unemployed and homeless, and it also provides an income for more than 600 people, either homeless or in temporary accommodation, who sell the magazine on the streets. The sellers retain 60 per cent of the 50p cover price, and have so far between them earned more than £1 million, while at the same time acquiring a knowledge of production and distribution.

The magazine was established as a non-profit-making initiative. The fact that it is now self-supporting fulfils the Body Shop's objectives, and the idea is being copied in several other European countries. It is seen as having done much to raise awareness of the issue of homelessness, especially through its "Capital Lights" section, in which homeless people have the opportunity to express their views.

IBM UK

IN MARCH 1992, IBM United Kingdom started a programme to support its 250 employees who were school governors and to encourage others to volunteer. In response to a survey, staff made a number of suggestions for support, most of which the company has adopted.

As a result of a "Schools Need Governors" campaign in June last year, 70 more employees became governors, and four one-day training sessions were attended by more than 100 people. A newsletter was launched last November, and an electronic mail forum was established for information exchange.

The scheme is co-ordinated by IBM's public affairs division, and this year the company sponsored a management training scheme for the chairmen of governing bodies and the headteachers of their schools. Governors are given time off for their duties, and are allowed to make use of equipment, photocopying facilities, meeting rooms and surplus furniture in organising activities for pupils.

W.H. SMITH GROUP

IN 1990, the 26,000 staff of the W.H. Smith Group decided to raise £500,000 towards the Samaritan LinkLine Appeal, which the company agreed to match. The purpose of the appeal was to establish a system whereby callers could dial a single national number, for the cost of a local call, and be put through automatically to the nearest available free line. That would avoid people in urgent need of help being met with an engaged signal, while Samaritan volunteers elsewhere were waiting for the telephone to ring.

Each section of the group set its own target and initiated a diverse range of fund-raising projects. The Samaritans were presented with a cheque for £1 million in December last year and a trust has been established to support other charities.

The company also paid for a three-person group to supervise the whole project, a £30,000 video to explain it to staff, and the design of a special logo. A further £70,000 was raised by a LinkLine phonecard in co-operation with British Telecom and by other promotional material.

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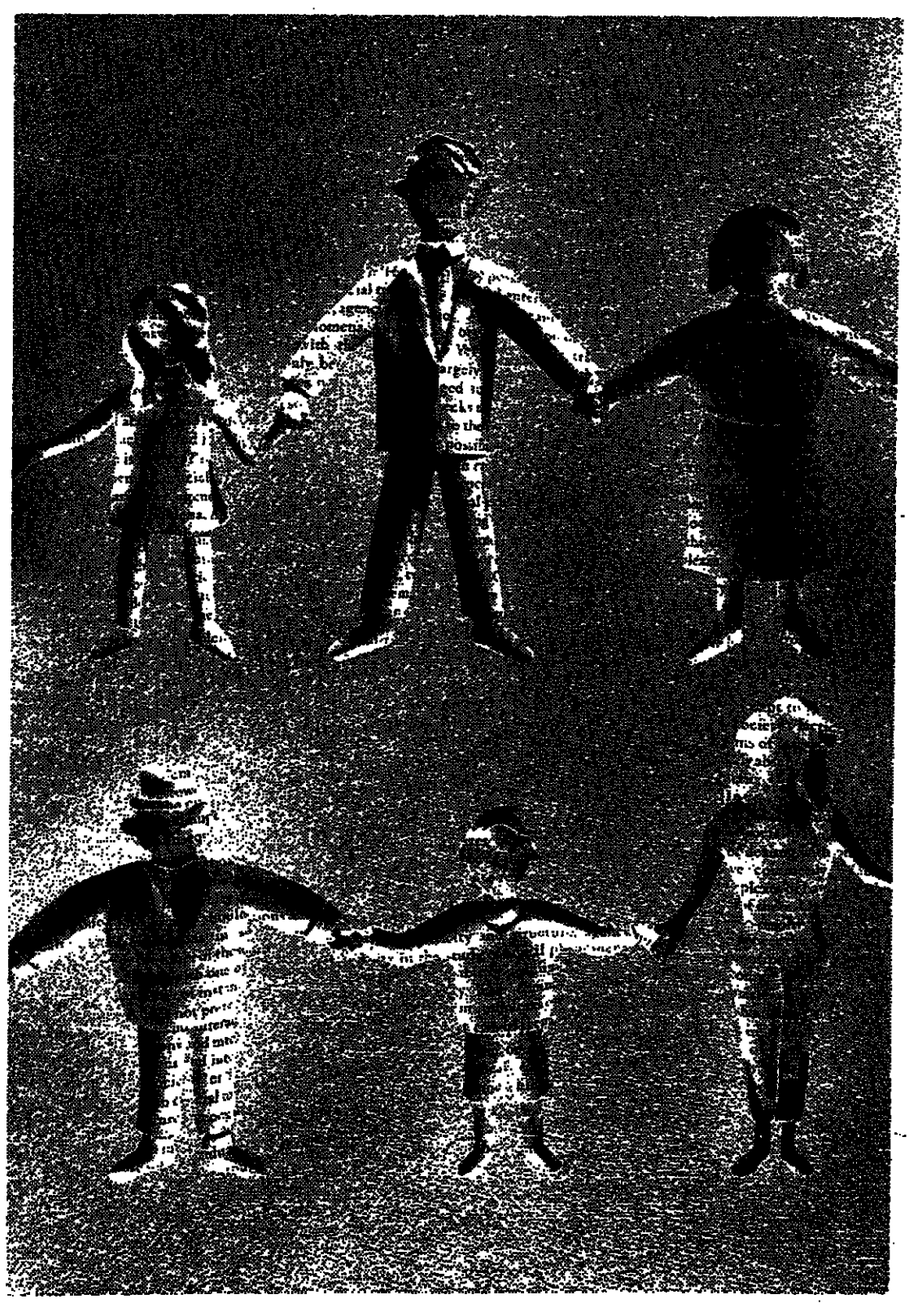
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TWO companies have won special certificates for community initiatives.

British Rail's Network South-East division is providing cheap rail travel for people in east Kent who are unemployed and attending job interviews, or who have recently obtained jobs. The scheme — "Just the job, just the ticket" — is being run in conjunction with the Employment Service Agency and the East Kent Initiative to encourage people to look for work. The concession took effect in February and runs until the end of this year. Network SouthEast has contributed £1,000 towards its promotion.

OLP/Peter Williams Ltd. This is a small architectural and planning firm with a staff of seven and offices in London, Wales and Scotland. Peter Williams, its chairman and managing director, has for the past three years been involved in community initiatives, offering professional expertise to projects such as the conversion of a disused railway station in Millom, Cumbria, to provide workshops, meeting rooms, exhibition space and shops for the disabled.

Seven miles of street party

Celebrations mark success for Community Links, reports John Young

Next week sees the official re-opening of the old Canning Town public hall, in the East End of London, as the headquarters of Community Links which, in the 16 years since it was founded, has developed into one of the largest and most successful charities in the area.

The celebrations will begin on Sunday with a "seven-mile party" of supporters, all of them sponsored, starting at the charity's original home in East Ham and making their way by a circuitous route to Canning Town. Tuesday, October 26, will be a children's day and on Thursday the keys will be formally handed over by Lord Bramall, Lord-Lieutenant of Greater London.

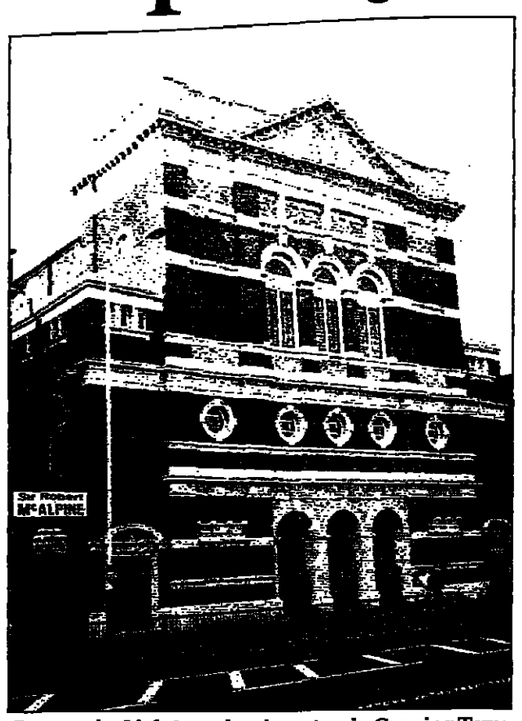
According to David Robinson, the charity's founder and director, 128 companies have contributed in kind, including the provision of furnishing and equipment worth £500,000, and three times that number have made cash donations. The building work has been carried out at cost by McAlpine, and the completed development is valued at more than £1 million.

Community Links could be said to typify the sort of project which the Dragon Awards are intended to assist and stimulate. Founded in 1977, it runs a wide range of local and national community projects with children, teenagers, parents, pensioners and disabled people.

Its success in neighbourhood work has brought it a national reputation for pioneering new ways of tackling the problems of inner-cities. More than 320 volunteers at present work on projects in more than 40 locations.

Its work with adults is based on a range of advice sessions, mostly run by trained volunteers, and meeting the needs of more than 7,000 people a year. It tries to draw together people with similar difficulties and to support them in tackling their problems together.

Many successful and now self-sufficient groups have begun in this way, including Action and Rights, run for and by disabled people, the Tower Blocks Network, intended to tackle difficulties experienced by people living in high-rise buildings, and Apna Ghar, an Asian women's service.



Community Links' new headquarters in Canning Town

The charity's work with young people is primarily aimed at those who are considered to be "at risk". It runs constructive activities for all age groups, including toy libraries, after-school clubs, play schemes, holidays, and specialist services for "at risk" groups and those in trouble with the law. More than four-fifths of the volunteers are parents or older youths who have benefited from the charity's work.

From these local activities, Community Links has developed two major national agencies, Action Match and The National Tower Blocks Network. It also runs national training programmes and produces a wide range of publications.

Neil Shaw, chairman of Business in the Community and also chairman of Tate & Lyle, one of the project's most enthusiastic supporters, believes that the new centre could become a model for other charities.

Three special ways to help

The old Canning Town public hall has been renovated and equipped

Special awards have been made to three companies which assisted Community Links with the conversion of the old Canning Town public hall. The award winners are:

Richard Ellis. Since the hall was acquired by Community Links on a 125-year peppercorn lease, it has been working with surveyors Richard Ellis on its conversion into a multi-purpose community centre. The proposed facilities will include provision for children and young people with special needs, families, pensioners and disabled people, with revenue accruing from a café, shop and rented offices.

The company has provided assistance with fund raising, design, and liaison with authorities and building contractors. The value of its work is estimated at £60,000.

Texaco Ltd. Coinciding with the company's move to Canary Wharf, it also became involved in the conversion of the hall. It has sponsored new training rooms, paid for a video to help promote the project, donated five pantechnicons and other equipment selected by Community Links from Texaco's offices in Knightsbridge, and raised extra funds by selling surplus equipment to its staff. Its contribution is valued at £70,000.

Tate & Lyle plc. As the biggest local employer in Canning Town, the company has supported Community Links in a variety of ways. As well as donating money, equipment and staff time, it has provided personnel for tasks such as setting up computer systems and repairing and maintaining vehicles.

The company has contributed £80,000 to the appeal for the hall, helped to set up a computerised accounts system, and has made space available in its refinery for the storage of furniture and other equipment.

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Network SouthEast is delighted to be a sponsor of the 1993 Dragon Awards. We have a long standing involvement in community initiatives which has received wide recognition in recent years.

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Phillies squander lead as records tumble in World Series

Blue Jays exceed wildest dreams

FROM KEITH BLACKMORE IN PHILADELPHIA

ON A night of wild excitement, in the fourth game of the baseball World Series here, the Toronto Blue Jays and Philadelphia Phillies fought each other to a standstill, shattering records along the way.

By the time the Blue Jays emerged as victors, 15-14, the contest had set a record for the most runs scored in a single game in 90 years of the event. The aggregate of 29 was seven more than the previous mark, set in 1936.

Played in a continuous drizzle on Wednesday, it lasted for 4hr 14min, exceeding by nearly half an hour the record for the longest nine-inning game in the World Series. The result put Toronto on the brink of retaining the championship; they lead 3-1 with the fifth game due to be played last night.

Such a position, however, was beyond their fondest hope when they came up to bat in the top of the eighth inning. They trailed 14-9 and only two teams have recovered from such a deficit to win a World Series game. When Alomar immediately grounded out, it did not seem possible that Toronto would become the third.

But then Carter singled and Olerud walked. Molitor, who had surprisingly been named as Toronto's third baseman, singled, scoring Carter, pushing Olerud to third and reaching second himself on an error by Hollins.

On a night when runs had been cheap, the Phillies' position suddenly seemed vulnerable. Jim Fregosi, their manager, sent for the man who had rescued him before, Mitch "Wild Thing" Williams. Williams's style is so erratic that Phillies supporters have taken to covering their heads with towels when he comes to the mound but, somehow, he has always wriggled out of trouble.

Not this time. Fernandez singled into left field, scoring Olerud. Williams walked Borders to load the bases, with one man out, and the lead was down to three. Sprague struck out, bringing some relief, but Henderson singled, scoring Molitor and Fernandez and reducing the deficit to one.

Most of the 62,000 crowd were on their feet by now, towels in their hands, desperately urging Williams to make the final out. But his luck had run out. Devon White, the new batter, sent a triple whistling into right centre field, scoring Henderson and Borders and putting Toronto in front.

The Phillies had scored in all but one inning to this point but they could not muster a single run in the last two, overpowered by Duane Ward, Toronto's closer. When Hollins flied out to White, this astonishing game was over.

Fregosi managed to find some comfort in defeat. "This will go down in the annals as one of the all-time World Series games," he said. "It was unbelievable." Cito Gaston, the manager of the Blue Jays, was too exhausted to show elation. "These guys of mine never quit," he said. "The Phillies are like that, too. It was the wildest game I've ever seen."

The pattern had been set by the middle of the third inning. By then, both starters had retired, the earliest double departure since 1966. Tommy Greene had begun badly for the Phillies, loading the bases and then walking in a run and giving up two more when Fernandez singled.

But anything Greene could do, Todd Stottlemyre, the Toronto starter, could do worse. By throwing the first pitch, he set one record. His father, Mel, had pitched three games for the New York Yankees in the 1964 World Series and the pair are now the only father and son to have started Series games. Todd, however, did not have his father's success and he, too, walked in a run then gave up six before the end of the second. And so it went on. Relievers came, relievers went, but the runs kept flowing.

Greene lasted into the third but then gave up four more runs, restoring the Blue Jays' lead. Nobody, it seemed, could stop the scoring. Leiter came in for Toronto and gave up one run in the fourth and five more in the fifth, including two home runs.

The Phillies led 12-7 but, once Mason had given way to West on the mound, Toronto scored twice in the sixth. The Phillies responded with a run in each of the sixth and seventh, making the score 14-9 and setting the scene for the dramatic eighth.

Amid it all were some remarkable displays. For the Phillies, Lenny Dykstra hit two home runs and scored four times, equalling the record for a Series game. Daulton hit his first Series home run. Fernandez, of Toronto, and Thompson, of Philadelphia, both batted in five runs, one short of the record for a single game in the Series. The winning pitcher was a reliever, Castillo. Poor Williams was the loser.

GARY HERSHORN



White hits a two-run triple in the eighth to drive in the winning run for Toronto

GAME FOUR LINESCORE

	Scoring by innings			Runs	Hits	Errors
Toronto Blue Jays	304	002	060—	15	17	0
Philadelphia Phillies	420	151	100—	14	14	1

Time WRU put its full weight behind coach



GERALD DAVIES
Rugby Commentary

The Welsh Rugby Union, like much else in Welsh life, might like to think itself part of a proudly radical tradition. In fact, it is as deeply conservative as any other established institution.

If, in the last couple of years, the union's general committee had seen fit to allow its secretary to assume chief executive responsibilities and to take a leadership role, the recently-elected committee, which came about through rebellion, has retreated.

In the description of the new secretary's function, it reinforces his historical and subordinate role to the committee and his responsibilities to the administrative staff. Stability is what is hoped for.

Another example demonstrating the committee's wishes to exert its influence, which it had in part relinquished, involves the selection committee. Since 1924, it was the general committee which, from within its own ranks, nominated the panel of five selectors. So as to emphasise its importance, this came to be known as the Big Five. In 1990, however, the function of selection passed to the team manager and national coach.

Robert Norster and Alan Davies undertook these roles respectively. They asked Elgan Rees and J P R Williams to act in an advisory capacity. And, at the end of last season, they included Gareth Jenkins, the successful Llanelli coach, as assistant.

This was no more than Carwyn James, the great Llanelli and Lions coach, had envisaged in a letter he wrote to the WRU in 1974. The interest of Wales's national team would be better served, James felt, by the appointment of one man to control the team's affairs. The suggestion fell on stoney ground but took root 16 years later. The general committee's direct selectorial responsibilities were rescinded from the constitution.

The current general committee is flexing its muscles again. A fortnight ago, the national player development committee recommended to the main committee that two others, Derek Quinnell and Geoff Evans, be added to the selection panel. Thus there are more selectors now than in the last 70 years. The decision no longer rests with Norster and Davies, but has returned to the committee.

Davies and Jenkins must pray there will be no recurrence of past incidents of the kind which might have made James chuckle. In the 80s, for example, a national coach admitted that, of the 15 players chosen for one match, he had disagreed with four of them. This was not isolated — the coach was no longer in charge of his own destiny.

What Norster and Davies have done is restore a morale so desperately shattered that it almost went out of existence. A good spirit is gradually being restored but good results have yet to be achieved.

Clearly they are not coming quickly enough for some. At the start of this season, Vernon Pugh, the WRU chairman, announced that the appointment of Norster and Davies would be reviewed at the season's end.

Another worrying rumour suggests that, because Wales are still without substantial success, Jenkins should be at the helm instead of Davies. This is absurd. Welsh rugby is strewn with WRU coaching rejects. Is it really possible, now they have a good one, that they should be thinking in this way?

When is it suggested, if this proposal comes to being, that Jenkins should take over? A year before the World Cup? After the five nations' championship and before the qualifying games in Spain and Portugal? What effect would this have on players' morale? What about Davies's own morale? What wedge might the WRU be driving between him and Jenkins? And, with so many selectors, how can Davies any longer be guaranteed the team he wants?

It is a paradox the union must soon resolve. If Jenkins did take over before going to South Africa, would the union be guilty of unsettling their own national team? If Wales suffered badly, what effect would that have on Jenkins's personal attitude and morale? Would he wish to carry on? And, if not, who is there to take his place? Wales is not exactly awash with coaches of the right credentials.

Perhaps they might care to learn from history. In the 70s, Wales had a number of coaches in line. For six years, Clive Rowlands had managed great success. There might have been a succession for a decade or more had James been able to continue, with John Dawes to follow. But, with the WRU not agreeing to James's terms, the line was foreshortened. The union will do well to confirm and give three cheers to the substantial contribution Alan Davies is making and to see the progression that lies ahead.

Davies: restoring spirit

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Wife's right takes priority

Barclays Bank plc v O'Brien and Another

Before Lord Templeman, Lord Lowry, Lord Browne-Wilkinson, Lord Slynn of Hadley and Lord Woolf

[Speeches October 21]

If a wife was induced by the undue influence, misrepresentation or other legal wrong of her husband to stand surety for the husband's debt, the creditor would, in circumstances which should have put him on enquiry, be fixed with constructive notice of the wife's right to set aside the transaction, unless the creditor had warned the wife, at a meeting not attended by the husband, of the risks involved and had advised the wife to take independent legal advice.

The same principles would apply to a case where there was an emotional relationship between cohabitants.

The House of Lords so stated dismissing an appeal by the creditor, Barclays Bank plc, from the decision of the Court of Appeal (*The Times* June 3, 1992; [1993] QB 109) allowing an appeal by the surety, Mrs Bridget Mary O'Brien.

Mrs O'Brien and her husband had agreed to execute a legal charge over the jointly owned matrimonial home as security for overdraft facilities extended by the bank to a company in which the husband, but not the wife, had an interest.

The bank prepared the security documents and sent them to a branch for execution with instructions to make sure that both husband and wife were fully aware of the nature of the documents and to advise them that, if in doubt, they should contact their solicitors before signing.

The instructions were not carried out and the wife signed the legal charge without reading it, in reliance on the husband's false representation that it was limited to £60,000 and would last only three weeks.

When the company's overdraft exceeded £154,000 the bank brought proceedings to enforce the legal charge, the wife's defence was that she had been induced to execute the legal charge by the undue influence and misrepresentation of the husband.

The trial judge rejected the claim based on undue influence and held that the bank was not responsible for the husband's misrepresentation. The Court of Appeal reversed his decision on the misrepresentation claim and held that the charge was not enforceable except to the extent of £60,000 which the wife had thought she was agreeing to secure.

The undue influence claim was rejected by the court and not pursued on appeal to the House.

Mr John Jarvis, QC, Mr William Blair and Mr Ross Cranston, none of whom appeared below, for the bank; Mr Simon Buckhaven and Mr Bernard Devlin for Mrs O'Brien.

LORD BROWNE-WILKINSON said that the question was whether wives, and perhaps others, should be accorded special rights in relation to surety transactions by the recognition of a special equity applicable only to such persons engaged in such transactions. Or should they enjoy only the same protection as they would enjoy in relation to other dealings?

In his Lordship's judgment, if the doctrine of notice was properly applied, there was no need for the introduction of a special equity in those types of cases. A wife who had been induced to stand as surety for her husband's debt by his undue influence, misrepresentation or some other legal wrong had an equity as against him to set aside that transaction.

Under the ordinary principles of equity, her right to set aside that transaction would be enforceable against third parties, for example, a creditor, if either the husband was acting as the third party's agent or the third party had actual or constructive notice of the facts giving rise to her equity.

The doctrine of equity lay at the heart of equity. Given that there were two innocent parties, each enjoying rights, the earlier right prevailed against the later right if the acquirer of the later right knew of the earlier right (actual notice) or would have discovered it had he taken proper steps (constructive notice).

In particular, if the party asserting that he took free of the earlier rights of another knew of certain facts which put him on enquiry as to the possible existence of the rights of that other and he failed to make such enquiry or take reasonable steps to verify whether such earlier right existed, he would have constructive notice of the earlier right and take subject to it.

Therefore, where a wife had agreed to stand surety for her husband's debts as a result of undue influence or misrepresentation, the creditor would take subject to the wife's equity to set aside the transaction if the circumstances were such as to put the creditor on enquiry as to the circumstances in which she agreed to stand surety.

In dealing with undue influence, the law's tender treatment of married women was due to the fact that, even today, many wives reposed confidence and trust in their husbands in relation to their financial affairs.

That tenderness of the law was reflected by the fact that voluntary dispositions by the wife in favour of the husband were more likely to be set aside than other dispositions by her: a wife was more likely to establish presumed undue influence by her husband than by others.

Moreover, the informality of business dealings between spouses raised a substantial risk that the husband had not accurately stated to the wife the nature of the liability she was undertaking, that is, he had misrepresented the position, albeit negligently.

Therefore, a creditor was put on enquiry when a wife offered to stand surety for her husband's debts by the combination of two factors: (a) the transaction was on its face not to the financial advantage of the wife; and (b) there was a substantial risk in those transactions that, in procuring the wife to act as surety, the husband had committed a legal or equitable wrong that entitled the wife to set aside the transaction.

It followed that unless the creditor who was put on enquiry took reasonable steps to satisfy himself that the wife's agreement to stand surety had been properly obtained, the creditor would have constructive notice of the wife's rights.

To avoid being fixed with constructive notice the creditor was expected to take steps to bring home to the wife the risk she was running by standing as surety and to advise her to take independent advice.

The wife would not have any right to disown her surety obligations just because subsequently she proved that she did not fully understand the transaction.

She would, as in all other areas of her affairs, be bound by her obligations unless the husband had, by misrepresentation, undue influence or other wrong, committed an actionable wrong against her.

As to past transactions, it would depend on the facts of each case whether the steps taken by the creditor satisfied that test.

However, for the future, a creditor would have satisfied those requirements if it insisted that the wife attend a private meeting, in the absence of the husband, with a representative of the creditor at which she was told of the extent of her liability as surety, warned of the risk she was running and urged to take independent legal advice.

His Lordship had hitherto only dealt with the position where the wife stood surety for her husband's debt. The same principles were applicable to all other cases where there was an emotional relationship between cohabitees. The tenderness shown to married women was not based on the marriage ceremony but reflected the underlying risk of one cohabitee exploiting the emotional involvement and trust of the other.

Now that unmarried cohabitation, whether heterosexual or homosexual, was widespread in society, the law should recognise that. Legal wives were not the only group which were now exposed to the emotional pressure of cohabitation. Therefore if, but only if, the creditor was aware that the surety was cohabiting with the principal debtor, the same principles should apply to them as applied to husband and wife.

In addition to the case of cohabitees, the decision of the Court of Appeal in *Avon Finance Co Ltd v Bridger* ([1985] 2 All ER 281) showed, rightly, that other relationships could give rise to a similar result. In that case a son, by means of misrepresentation, persuaded his elderly parents to stand surety for his debts. The surety obligation was held to be unenforceable by the creditor, *inter alia*, because to the bank's knowledge the parents trusted the son in their financial dealings.

In his Lordship's judgment, that case was correctly decided. In a case where the creditor was aware that the surety reposed trust and confidence in the principal debtor in relation to his financial affairs, the creditor was put on enquiry in just the same way as it was in relation to husband and wife.

Applying those principles to the present case, the bank was fixed with constructive notice of the wrongful misrepresentation made by Mr O'Brien to Mrs O'Brien who was therefore entitled, as against the bank, to set aside the legal charge.

Lord Templeman, Lord Lowry, Lord Slynn and Lord Woolf agreed.

Solicitors: Lovell White Durrant; Kingsford Stacey for Stops & Burton, Daventry.

Lender unaffected by influence

CIBC Mortgages plc v Pitt and Another

Before Lord Templeman, Lord Lowry, Lord Browne-Wilkinson, Lord Slynn of Hadley and Lord Woolf

[Judgment October 21]

If a wife was induced by the undue influence of her husband to charge the matrimonial home as security for a loan made to the husband and wife jointly, the lender would not be affected by the undue influence if the husband was not his agent, and the lender had no actual knowledge of the undue influence, nor was there any indication that the transaction was anything other than a normal loan to husband and wife for their joint benefit.

The House of Lords so stated dismissing an appeal by the wife, Mrs Maxine Frances Pitt, from the decision of the Court of Appeal (*The Times* April 7, 1993) affirming the judgment of the trial judge that a legal charge on the matrimonial home in favour of the plaintiff, CIBC Mortgages plc, was valid as against her.

The property, 26 Alexander Avenue, Willesden, was the home of Mr and Mrs Pitt. They had been married since 1964. The house, the matrimonial home since 1970, had originally been purchased in Mr. Pitt's sole name, but after Mrs Pitt raised objection the house was put in their joint names. In 1986 it was valued at £270,000 with a mortgage in favour of a building society for £16,700.

In 1986 the husband told the wife that he wished to borrow some money on the security of the home to buy shares on the stock market. The wife, unwilling at first, agreed under pressure which the trial judge held had amounted to actual undue influence. Together they signed a loan application which stated the purpose of the loan was the purchase of a holiday home.

A loan of £150,000 by way of remortgage secured by a legal charge on the matrimonial home was made to the couple. The wife did not read any of the documents she signed. The plaintiff's solicitors acted for all the parties in the transaction.

When the husband got into difficulties with the repayments on the loan the plaintiff brought proceedings for possession of the home. The wife claimed that the charge could not be enforced against her on the ground of misrepresentation and undue influence.

Mr Leolin Price, QC and Mr David Schmitz for the wife; Mr Gavin Lightman, QC and Mr Nigel Clayton for the plaintiff.

LORD BROWNE-WILKINSON said that, in the present case, the Court of Appeal had applied the law laid down in *National Westminster Bank v Morgan* ([1985] AC 686) as interpreted by the Court of Appeal in *Bank of Credit and Commerce International SA v Aboody* ([1990] 1 QB 923): a claim to set aside a transaction on the ground of undue influence whether presumed (*Morgan*) or actual (*Aboody*) could not succeed unless the claimant proved that the impugned transaction was manifestly disadvantageous to him.

The wife submitted that the Court of Appeal in *Aboody* erred in extending the need to show manifest disadvantage in cases of actual, as opposed to presumed, undue influence. His Lordship was unable to agree with the Court of Appeal's decision in *Aboody* and had no doubt that the decision in *Morgan* did not extend to cases of actual undue influence.

Morgan was primarily concerned to establish that disadvantage had to be shown, not as a constituent element of the cause of action for undue influence, but in order to raise a presumption of undue influence. Whatever the merits of requiring a complainant to show manifest disadvantage in order to raise a presumption of undue influence, there was no logic in imposing such a requirement where actual undue influence had been exercised and proved.

His Lordship would hold that a claimant who proved actual undue influence was not under the further burden of proving that the transaction induced by undue influence was manifestly disadvantageous: he was entitled as of right to have it set aside.

Even though, in his Lordship's view, the wife was entitled to set aside the transaction as against the husband, she had to establish that in some way the plaintiff was affected by the wrongdoing of the husband so as to entitle her to set aside the legal charge as against the plaintiff.

The Court of Appeal in the present case treated themselves as bound by the Court of Appeal decision in *Barclays Bank plc v O'Brien* ([1993] QB 109). They were unwilling to distinguish *O'Brien* on the ground that the instant case was one of a loan to the husband and wife jointly whereas *O'Brien* was a surety case. However, they distinguished it on the ground of notice.

The wife had established actual undue influence by the husband. The plaintiff would not, however, be affected by such undue influence unless the husband was in a real sense, acting as agent for the plaintiff in procuring the wife's agreement or the plaintiff had actual or constructive notice of the undue influence.

The judge had correctly held that the husband was not acting as agent for the plaintiff. The plaintiff had no actual notice of the undue influence. What, then, was known to the plaintiff that could put it on enquiry so as to fix it with constructive notice?

So far as the plaintiff was aware, the transaction consisted of a joint loan to husband and wife to finance the discharge of an existing mortgage on the matrimonial home, and as to the balance, to be applied in buying a holiday home. The loan was to be advanced jointly. There was nothing to indicate that the transaction was anything other than a normal advance to husband and wife for their joint benefit.

The wife argued that the invalidating tendency which reflected the risk of there being presumed undue influence was, in itself, sufficient to put the plaintiff on enquiry. His Lordship rejected that submission without hesitation. It accorded neither with justice nor with practical common sense.

If third parties were to be fixed with constructive notice of undue influence in every transaction between husband and wife, such transactions would become impossible.

On every purchase of a home in joint names, the building society or bank financing the purchase would have to insist on meeting the wife separately from the husband, advise her as to the nature of the transaction and recommend her to take legal advice separate from that of her husband.

If that were not done, the financial institution would have to run the risk of a subsequent attempt by the wife to avoid her liabilities under the mortgage on the ground of undue influence and misrepresentation. To establish the law in that sense would not benefit the average married couple and would discourage financial institutions from making the advance.

What distinguished the case of a joint advance from the surety case was that, in the latter, there was not only the possibility of undue influence having been exercised but also the increased risk of it having in fact been exercised because, at least on its face, the guarantee by a wife of her husband's debt was not for her financial benefit. It was the combination of those two factors that put the creditor on enquiry.

Lord Templeman, Lord Lowry, Lord Slynn and Lord Woolf agreed.

Solicitors: Brian Hillman Trivedi & Co, Palmer's Green; Fox Brooks Marshall, Hale.

No abuse of Revenue power in tax clearance withdrawal

Regina v Inland Revenue Commissioners, Ex part Matrix Securities Ltd

Before Mr Justice Laws

[Judgment October 21]

The clearance given by a tax inspector to a high profile enterprise zone property investment scheme was not legally binding on the Inland Revenue.

Because of inadequate disclosure of particular details of the scheme by its sponsors and their knowledge that the Financial Institutions Division of the Revenue might take a different view of the matter, the withdrawal of the clearance was not unfair and not an abuse of power by the Revenue.

Mr Justice Laws so held in the Queen's Bench Division when dismissing an application by Matrix Securities Ltd for judicial review of the withdrawal by the Revenue of assurances given by a tax inspector that the scheme attracted relief.

The applicants were given leave to appeal.

Mr David Goldberg, QC and Mr John Walters for the applicants; Lord Lester, QC and Mr Charles Flint for the Crown.

MR JUSTICE LAWS said that the Capital Allowances Act 1990 made tax benefits available to investors in industrial buildings in government designated enterprise zones. The scheme, the Matrix South Quay Trust, said to be a unit trust, was sponsored by the applicants.

They were in September 1993 seeking £95 million for investment in London Docklands and invited investors to acquire units of £1,000 each.

Under the scheme a substantial part of the unit price was provided by a loan from Hill Samuel and exit arrangements covered repayment within 10 years.

The loan arrangements and the circularity of the payments in the scheme meant that the overwhelming likelihood was that the only net contributor of funds would be the Revenue, to the tune of £37 million.

Investors would contribute nothing after tax, take a profit and assume no significant risk.

Following a letter and a memorandum by the applicants describing the proposed scheme to the tax inspector, the clearance was given for 100 per cent allowances to an investor.

On October 8, 1993 the Financial Institutions Division of the Revenue wrote to the applicants that the assurances had been wrongly given and withdrew the inspector's confirmation.

If the Revenue had given an unequivocal assurance the court might prevent it from later collecting the tax: see *R v IRC, Ex parte Preston* ([1985] AC 835) and *R v IRC, Ex parte M. F. K. Underwriting Agents Ltd* ([1990] 1 WLR 1545).

But for such an assurance to be relied on, the person seeking it must have placed all relevant facts before the Revenue and have apprised it of the legal position contended for.

Further, where the person seeking the assurance was a sophisticated concern, such as the applicants, they had to communicate with officials representing the appropriate level of authority within the Revenue.

Subject to important qualifications, the primary factual aspects of the scheme which now concerned the Revenue could be traced in the applicants' letter. But it would require an extremely vigilant eye to do so.

But the applicants had not told the inspector that the scheme involved elements that might concern the Financial Institutions Division.

They had failed to put all their cards face up on the table.

To suggest that revocation of the assurances given by the inspector amounted to an abuse of power that should prevent the Revenue from now collecting the tax would be unfair to the general body of taxpayers and would fly in the face of the principles enshrined in *Preston* and *M. F. K.*

Solicitors: Theodore Goddard; Solicitor of Inland Revenue.

Correction

In *R v Bradford Metropolitan Borough Council, Ex parte Sikander Ali* (*The Times* October 21) Miss Elizabeth Appleby, QC and Mr Richard McManus appeared for the local authority.

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United feel downside of market economy

BY PETER BALL

WITH the share value falling 50 pence yesterday morning, the stock market gave its own gloomy view of Manchester United's immediate prospects in the aftermath of Wednesday's astonishing 3-3 European Cup draw with Galatasaray. Alex Ferguson, the manager, was hardly more upbeat as he considered his team's fatal casualness in conceding a two-goal lead.

With apparently the easiest task facing the four English clubs this week, United instead proved the most vulnerable, and now face a daunting task in Istanbul in two weeks' time. Having apparently done the hard work, going two goals up inside 15 minutes, they were stunned by dazzling counter-attacking by the Turkish champions.

Galatasaray were a revelation, richly meriting a result equalled only by the 1957 Real Madrid team of Di Stefano and Puskas in 22 European Cup matches at Old Trafford. With Arif pushing forward on the right and Kubilay on the left, flanking the powerful Hakan, they were the most formidable Turkish team to visit these shores by some distance. But there was little doubt that United contributed to their own downfall, and Ferguson yesterday was concerned that it was not a one-off.

"Ossie Ardiles hit it on the head when he accused us of getting sloppy," Ferguson reflected yesterday. "I thought we didn't start playing at Sheffield Wednesday until we were one down, and we didn't show the proper approach against Swindon and Newcastle recently. The telltale signs have been there.

"It becomes too easy. Some of the players get carried away and want to put on a show, but to lose a two-goal lead in ten minutes was absolutely crazy. That was a severe shock to them, and from then on nervousness set in."

The irony is that United have recently been lauded for their ability to put on a show in a modern workaday game. For such gifted players there is a fine line between the sublime and the self-indulgent, and keeping them on the right side of that line requires eternal vigilance, as some of Ferguson's predecessors at Old Trafford have discovered.

Ferguson can only hope that the shock will provide the jolt his players evidently need. But as he asked bitingly on Wednesday: "You can say they are young players and this will be a lesson, but how many lessons do they need?

"The first thing we have to do now that our position in Europe is in serious jeopardy is to get rid of the complacency in our league matches. It's no good just waiting for the trip, we've got to get down to proper business at Goodison on Saturday. That's a big match, there will be a good atmosphere and I want to see us back to our best."

The nagging fear is that it may come too late to save United, although for all Galatasaray's undoubted ability, United's record in Europe in recent seasons has been better away from home, and this team are capable of recovering the ground so carelessly conceded.

"It is crystal clear we face a massive challenge to get into the champions' mini league now," Ferguson said. "Galatasaray are in the driving seat now and will fancy their chances. We know they can sit back and settle for a draw. It will be the kind of volatile atmosphere many of our players have never experienced before, and we will need a strong referee."

By contrast, Arsenal have received more criticism than plaudits for their approach to the game — no danger of them being condemned for wanting to put on a show, while even their effectiveness had been lacking on the domestic front. Yet on Wednesday they did everything required of them, taking a formidable 3-0 lead over Standard Liège, and even winning over the doubting Highbury crowd.

Only some eccentric refereeing spoiled one of Highbury's best nights. A week after Koeman's escape, the Liège sweeper Mircea Rednic also survived the full punishment for a handball which prevented Wright having a clear run on goal. By contrast Wright, who scored twice, was booked for a foul on Rednic, and joins McGoldrick, Campbell, Keown and Jensen with one caution, piling up potential trouble for the matches ahead.

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Tranquil scenes on the River Test, where salmon fishermen are being urged to return their fish to the water rather than lay them in the deep freeze

Salmon survive on rising tide of concern



Brian Clarke reports on efforts to ensure stocks on the rivers Test and Itchen are maintained

Salmon anglers on two of England's most famous rivers are being urged to return to the water every fish they land, despite massive stockings of farmed fish to bolster wild population and a doubling of the catch this year over last.

The news highlights the *dire straits of salmon on the* Test and Itchen in Hampshire and adds urgency to calls for anglers elsewhere to return their fish for the sake of the eggs that each one carries.

The call takes the ground from under those anglers who so far have resisted requests for restraint by arguing that salmon put back after a lengthy battle were likely to die from exhaustion. Not only have millions of coarse fishermen long known that this is unlikely to be true, but research has now proved it.

A public meeting in Winchester this month showed that the National Rivers Authority (NRA), working with riparian owners and some anglers, has turned the Test and the Itchen into living laboratories for studying a fish that is everywhere in decline. And for two years, it was announced, the NRA has successfully been using fully-recovered, rod-caught salmon in its research programmes.

Some rod-caught fish have been held in pens waiting for the time when they ripen and can be relieved of their eggs. Other fish caught by anglers have had radio tags fitted and have been tracked moving in a natural way from the place at which they were returned to the spawning beds high upstream.

According to Dr Tony Owen, the NRA's fisheries manager for the region, the survival rate of rod-caught salmon is as high or higher than that for fish caught by the methods that researchers have traditionally used.

"Now, every angler has a choice to make," Owen says. "He has to ask himself whether or not every fish he catches would not be better in a tagging or breeding programme than in his deep-freeze. These fish may be on *the point of extinction.*"

If the ability of rod-caught salmon to survive the fight has now been proven conclusively so, many will feel, has the need for all Test and *Itchen anglers to co-operate.* Since 1954, anglers have taken an average of 900 fish a year from the Test. Last year, the figure was 142. On the Itchen, against an historical average of 250 fish, anglers caught 95. Changes within populations themselves have seen the weight of the average fish halved. Automatic counters in each river confirm that catch declines are a reflection of total stock declines.

The fundamental problem on both rivers is that the fish cannot spawn in self-sustaining numbers, much less in numbers that will allow anglers or anyone else to *remove them. Whereas* each spawning pair needs to produce at least one other spawning pair to maintain a precarious balance, researchers have found success rates *far below this — and results* as low as 0.3 of an adult fish for each spawning have been recorded.

On both rivers the most obvious single cause is an increase in silt resulting from changed land use. It is filtering through the stones where salmon have spawned, suffocating the eggs where they lie. It is binding gravels together, creating a form of mild concrete that prevents salmon digging into it and laying at all.

Of late the NRA, riparian owners and anglers have sometimes been sharply at odds. On the Test and the Itchen the overriding picture is one of extraordinary co-operation in a remarkable research effort.

Eggs from fish captured by some anglers in Hampshire are being ferried to salmon *farms in* Scotland for hatching. Once hatched, the young fish are nurtured until capable of independent survival and then are ferried back to their home rivers for planting *out in their hundreds of* thousands.

Teams of NRA workers and volunteers are using high-powered water jets to break up and clean gravels so that more fish can spawn and more eggs can hatch. Thousands of young fish migrating to sea are being tagged and counted so that exact numbers returning are known. Even a helicopter is sometimes being used to locate and track individual fish through the water by radio.

In a measure that epitomises the mad urgency of it all, a netting right on the Itchen that costs the owner £80 a year to licence from the NRA, is being bought back annually for a four-figure sum by the authority so that the fish it would have caught can go free.

Even amid the hopeful signs from all this — and there are some — caution is being urged. Gravel cleaning can improve hatching potential many times over, but it cannot be a long-term solution. Salmon catches in the *rivers have doubled this year* over last, but researchers say it could be climatic factors and not the stocking programmes that have made the difference. Funds for continuing the work at present levels, are under threat.

It is against this background that salmon anglers on the Test and Itchen, no less than those on some rivers elsewhere, are being asked to return their catch to the water. They have, researchers say, the future of their sport in their own hands — in more senses than one.

Dolphin sneaks into sixth place

FROM BARRY PICKTHALL IN PUNTA DEL ESTE, URUGUAY

MATT Humphries and his crew aboard Dolphin & Youth Challenge, the British Whitbread 60 entry, took sixth place ahead of Brooksfield, the Italian yacht, in another close finish at the end of the first stage of the Whitbread Round the World Race.

Humphries lost out to the leaders by staying too far east during the first half of the race to the equator and have been struggling to keep ahead of Guido Maisto's crew since the *pair emerged from the* doldrums.

After reaching Punta del Este ten minutes ahead of their rivals late yesterday, a relieved Humphries said. "We *have been within sight of each* other on and off for the past 11 days. Two days ago, Brooksfield pulled 30 miles ahead and we have been working hard ever since to pull back *the lead.*"

Remarkably, Maisto had recovered the 250-mile deficit they lost on the leaders 24 hours after the start, when their yacht sustained a broken rudder. They were forced to put into Brest for repairs but later pulled back sufficient time to overtake Hetman Sahaidachny, from Ukraine, and Nance Frank's US Women's Challenge.

"We got parked in the doldrums after our weather *fax machine went down and,* from there on, we didn't read the forecasts as well as we might have," Humphries said.



Humphries: relieved

After taking an extreme easterly course that did not pay off, he explained: "We had to *stick to our guns. In the light* variable winds experienced for much of the leg, we found we were struggling against the Bruce Farr designs. But we have the pace to lead the race *in the heavier winds.*"

"Going into the doldrums, we were just 40 miles behind Yamaha but we then we got a double dose of calms and fell back. That was very frustrating." For Humphries and his crew, the most exciting aspect was the short bursts of heavy running. "At one point, we were surfing at 24 knots for several hours when the wind topped 38 knots," he said. "That was when the boat was really on the pace. Hopefully, we will be get much more of that on the next leg."

Seven hours earlier, La Poste, Daniel Malle's French maxi, arrived with a badly cracked *mizzen* mast that must now be replaced before the fleet set out into the Southern Ocean in three weeks. The damage came four days into the race, when a check stay broke, but going *into the doldrums the loss of* half their sail area did not appear to be costing them too much time.

"At one point, we were within three miles of Merit Cup," Malle, a former postmaster, said. The French postal service, which is sponsoring the yacht, has got around the strike by French air cargo handlers by diverting one of their own aircraft to fly the new rig out to Uruguay. "It is as good as putting a stamp on the mast," Malle joked.

LEADING POSITIONS: Maxi: 1, NZ Endeavour (G Dalton, NZ), 24 days 07hr 19mn, 2, Merit Cup (P Fehlmann, Switz), 24:15:41; 3, *La Poste (D Malle, Fr),* 25:18:03. Other (at 14:00 GMT yesterday, with miles to finish): 4, Uruguay Natural (S Vanzini, Urg), 487 Whitbread 60: 1, Tokio (C Dickson, NZ), 24.10:28; 2, Galicia 93 Pescanova (J de la Gandara, Sp), 24:20:30; 3, Yamaha (R Field, NZ), 24:21:30, 4, Winston (D Conner, US), 24:23:49; 5, Intrum Justitia (R Nelson, Eur), 25:02:40; 6, Dolphin & Youth Challenge (M Humphries, GB), 26:03:22; 7, Brooksfield (G Maisto, It), 26 03 35. Others (at 14:00 GMT yesterday, with miles to finish): 8, US Women's Challenge (N Frank, US), 358, 9, Hetman Sahadachny (E Platon, Ukr), 505; 10, Odessa Moscow Times (A Verba, Ukr), 2,931

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Foster prepares to begin Telford revival

NON-LEAGUE FOOTBALL
BY WALTER GAMMIE

TELFORD United yesterday appointed George Foster *manager in succession to* Gerry Daly. Foster, 37, left Mansfield Town, where he had spent the past four years as player-manager, a month ago and had been playing for Burton Albion.

In an unbroken spell in the GM Vauxhall Conference since it started in 1979-80, Telford had never before suffered their present indignity of being in bottom place. Robert Cave, a club official, said: "We're looking for George to put the situation right quickly. We believe we *have* picked the right man for the job from over 40 applicants and are looking forward to climbing the Conference and heading towards the Football League."

While Foster steps into his new job, the Conference's longest-serving manager, Graham Allner, prepares to celebrate ten years in charge on October 31 with his side, Kidderminster Harriers, sitting on top of the table.

"The last time we were top of the table was in 1988-89 — for 15 weeks — and we finished fifth," he said. "Therein lies any lesson I might have learnt: that it doesn't matter who is top in October and November."

Evidence closer to hand of how swiftly fortunes can change is that seven successive wins lifted Kidderminster to the top — the latest a 2-0 victory over Northwich Victoria at Aggborough on Monday — after the club had been second from bottom with four points from seven matches.

Allner has had a hard task rebuilding a side that thrived under the goal-scoring impetus of Paul Davies, Mick Tuohy and Kim Casey and, last season, Kidderminster flirted with relegation before a late charge to safety.

"I'm a little bit of a confidence manager," he said. "I've got my beliefs and I stick to them, but, in the past couple of years, doubts began to set in. I started to question myself and perhaps listen too much to other people. I've cast all that aside."

The Kidderminster linchpin remains Davies, two short of 500 appearances in ten years. Allner said: "For a man who reckons to have scored 234 goals for the club, Paul is *anxious that he has* scored only two this season, but they will come. I think he will finish with 20-plus."

Tomorrow, Kidderminster play their first cup-tie of the season when they travel to Chesham United, the Diadora League champions, in the fourth qualifying round of the FA Cup. Kettering Town, sixth in the Conference, play host to Canvey Island, the Essex senior league side that reached the FA Vase semi-finals last season and who have won at Boston United and Bishop's Stortford in the past two rounds.

FOR THE RECORD

BADMINTON

BLETCHLEY: International match: China bt England, 4-1. Men: Singles: P Knowles lost to Hu Zhlan, 15-13, 8-15, 11-15; Doubles: C Hunt and S Archer lost to Liang Qing and Hu Zhlan, 12-15, 15-18. Women: Singles: J Muggeridge lost to Tang Jiuying, 11-7, 10-12, 1-11; Doubles: G Gowers and J Bradbury bt Zhang Jing and Tang Yongshu, 18-15, 15-12. Mixed doubles: N Ponting and G Clark lost to Liang Qing and Peng Yun, 15-9, 15-17, 13-18

BASEBALL

WORLD SERIES: Toronto Blue Jays 15, *Philadelphia Phillies 14 (Toronto lead best-of-seven series, 3-1).*

BASKETBALL

BUDWEISER LEAGUE TROPHY: First round: Chester 61, Leicester 88, Manchester 105, Oldham 74; Worthing 95, London Towers 81

BOXING

TOKYO: WBA junior flyweight championship: Leo Gamez (Ven) bt Shiro Yahiro (Japan), rsc 9th rnd.

CRICKET

TOUR MATCH: Perth: New Zealanders 149 (J Angel 5-32); Western Australia 64-2.
SHEFFIELD SHIELD: Brisbane: South Australia 323-6 (D Lehmann 128, D Webber 102 not out) v Queensland

FOOTBALL

WORLD CUP: *Asia zone:* Final qualifying round: Japan 3, North Korea 0 (in Doha, Qatar)

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South Korea	2	1	1	0	5	2	3
Japan	3	1	1	1	4	2	3
Saudi Arabia	2	1	1	0	2	1	3
North Korea	3	1	0	2	4	7	2
Iran	2	1	0	1	2	4	2
Iraq	2	0	1	1	4	5	1

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MATCHES TO COME: Today: Iran v Iraq; South Korea v Saudi Arabia. Oct 24: Iraq v Saudi Arabia. Oct 25: Japan v South Korea; Iran v North Korea. Oct 28: South Korea v North Korea; Saudi Arabia v Iran, Iraq v Japan

PONTINS LEAGUE: First division: Postponed: Sunderland v Notts County.
INTERNATIONAL MATCH: Mexico 2, Ukraine 1 (in San Diego)
BRAZILIAN CHAMPIONSHIP: Group B: Guarani 2, Vasco da Gama 0. Group C: Vitoria 2, Ceara 1. Group D: America/Belo Horizonte 0, Criciuma 0; Atletico Paranaense 0, Portuguesa 0; Parana 3, Coritiba 0; União São João 2, Desportiva 0

Late results on Wednesday

EUROPEAN CUP: Second round, first legs: Manchester United 3, Galatasaray 3; Sparta Prague 0, Anderlecht 1: Lech Poznan 1, Spartak Moscow 5; Lervik Sofia 2, Werder Bremen 2; Copenhagen 0, AC Milan 5; Monaco 4, Steaua Bucharest 1: Barcelona 3, FK Austria 0; Porto 1, Feyenoord 0
CUP WINNERS' CUP: Second round, first legs: Arsenal 3, Standard Liège 0; Torino 3, Aberdeen 2; Maccabi Haifa 0, Parma 1, Paris Saint-Germain 4, Universitatea Craiova (Rom) 0; FC Innsbruck 1, Real Madrid 1; Apoel 2, Besiktas Istanbul 1.
UEFA CUP: Second round, first legs: Celtic 1, Sporting Lisbon 0; Kongsvinger (Nor) 1, Juventus 1; Trabzonspor 1, Cagliari 1; Manbor Branik (Slovenia) 0, Borussia Dortmund 0; Machelen 5, MTK Budapest 0; Lazio 1, Boavista Oporto 0; Internazionale 1, Apollon Limassol 0; Valencia 3, Karlsruhe 1

ENDSLEIGH INSURANCE LEAGUE: First division: Millwall 2, Notts County 0. Nottingham Forest 0, Oxford 0, Sunderland 2, Luton 0.
NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Premier division: Bishop Auckland 2, Matlock 0, Bridlington 0, Frickley 3. First division: Congleton 2, Alfreton 1; Great Harwood 0, Radcliffe 0; Spennymoor 5, Goole 3, Warrington 1, Lancaster 1
NONCA LEAGUE OF WALES CUP: Second round, first leg: Ton Pentre 2, Afan Lido 1.
SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Dr Martens Cup: First round, first leg: Evesham 1, Yate 0, Fareham 2, Dorchester 3; Wealdstone 1, Dunstable 0; Weymouth 1, Newport IoW 0. First round, second leg: Solihull 1, Nuneaton 2.
ISTHMIAN LEAGUE: Third division: Oxford City 2, Leighton 0.
JEWSON EASTERN COUNTIES LEAGUE: Premier division: Chatteris 1, Wisbech 0, Stowmarket 0, Harwich and Parkeston 3, Soham 3, Wroxham 10
PONTINS LEAGUE: First division: Blackburn 1, Leeds 1; Bolton 4, York 4, Newcastle 4, Wolverhampton 1. Second division: Blackpool 0, Tranmere 1; Huddersfield 1, Oldham 3, Hull 1, Port Vale 1, Middlesbrough 0, Mansfield 0, Rotherham 3, Burnley 1, Scunthorpe 1, Preston 2; West Bromwich 3, Manchester City 3
NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: Second division: Bournemouth 1, Torquay 1, Cardiff 1, Hereford 5, Cheltenham 1, Plymouth 6, Exeter 3, Swansea 4. League Cup: Birmingham 2, Yeovil 0

GOLF

PGA EUROPEAN TOUR: Final pre-qualifying competition (England unless stated) Pals: 140: M Wiggett, 71, 69. 141: C Brooks (Scot), 70, 71. 142: R Russell (Scot), 70, 72; G Garbero (US), 73, 69; M Joseph, 71, 71. 144: A Beal, 71, 73. 145: G Dotson (Fr), 75, 70; R Fletcher (SA), 73, 72; I Sparkes, 73, 72; C Tingey, 73, 72; P R Simpson, 71, 74. Mas Nou: 142: J Wilshire, 72, 70. 145: T Decerne (Fr), 75, 70; C Lorrain (Ven), 71, 74. 148: J Heggarty (N Ire), 72, 74. 147: E Dussart (Fr), 75, 72. 148: G Towne (US), 75, 73; B Tinning (Den), 72, 76; G Modena (It), 74, 74. 149: M Schatz (SA), 78, 71. 150: T Bjorn (Den), 75, 75; A Colton (Scot), 75, 75; S van Vuuren (SA), 77, 73; Geranos: 146: A Cruse (SA), 73, 67. 143: M Watson, 70, 73; B Nelson (US), 71, 72. 144: M Hallbran (Swe), 72, 72; S Graham, 70, 74; T Hastings, 73, 71. 145: C Ronald (Scot), 74, 71; O Drawdy (US), 74, 71; N Rodnick (Wales), 72, 73; K Morris (Ire), 71, 74; N Graves, 73, 72. Empordà: 133: C Cavder (Fr), 68, 65. 135: D Leo, 66, 69; P Linhart (US), 67, 68. 137: R Dinsdale (Wales), 66, 71. 139: N Bocchino (It), 69, 70. 140: M Zerman (Ire), 73, 67. 141: R Edwards, 71, 70; M Down, 73, 68. 142: T Todd, 68, 74; C Smits van Waesberghe (Holl), 70, 72; J Lee (Wales), 73, 69; I Moral (Sp), 69, 73; M Green (SA), 67, 75.
LAS VEGAS: Men's tournament: First round (US unless stated): 64, J Woodland (Aus), G Morgan, B Lohr, 65: P Mickelson, H Twitty 66: J Cook, P Azinger, B Faxon, S Lowery, R Gamez, S Gump, 67: D Love III, T Sieckmann, M Springer, B Glider, B McCallister, J Inman, C Stadler, L Clements, P Jacobsen, B Fleicher, K Clearwater, J Maggert

ICE HOCKEY

NATIONAL LEAGUE (NHL): Quebec 5, Hartford 2; Montreal 5, Dallas 2; New Jersey 4, Anaheim 0; Los Angeles 4, Tampa Bay 3; Calgary 5, Edmonton 3.

ICE SKATING

DALLAS: Skate America: Ice dance (compulsories): 1, *S Moniotte and P* Lavanchy (Fr), 0.4; equal 2, K Mrazova and M Simecek (Cz), E Punsalan and J Swallow (US), 1.0. British placing: 5, M Humphreys and J Lanning, 2.0. Pairs (technical programme) 1, E Shishkova and V Naumov (Russ), 0.5; 2, K Ina and J Dungon (US), 1.0; 3, K Courtland and T Reynolds (US), 1.5. *British placing:* 10, D Mednick and J Boggs, 5.0

LACROSSE

HYDE FC: International match: England 16, United States All Stars 13

RUGBY LEAGUE

TOUR MATCH: St Helens 8, New Zealand XIII 14

RUGBY UNION

TOUR MATCHES: Rugby 22, South West District (SA) 6, South West Selection 19, Australian XV 20 (at Agen), Mar Del Plata (Arg) 29, South African Development XV 32.
SCHOOLS MATCHES: Emanuel 8, KCS Wimbledon 5, RGS Worcester 28, Cheltenham 0, Taunton 0, King's, Taunton 27, Eltham 0, Cranbrook 5, Kelly 67, Exeter 3, St Bede's 6, Robert Gordon's 0; King's, Worcester 56, Queen Mary's, Walsall 5. Daily Mail Under-18 Cup: St Edward's, Liverpool 10, Rossall 8.

SPEEDWAY

BRITISH LEAGUE: First division: Poole 51, Bradford 57. Second division: Long Eaton 75, Middlesbrough 33

TENNIS

LYONS: *Men's tournament: First round:* R Frombing (Aus) bt S Pescosolido (It), 6-7, 6-3, 6-3; A Boutsch (Fr) bt P Kühnen (Ger), 6-1, 3-6, 6-1; O Delaitre (Fr) bt B Boeker (Ger), 7-6, 6-7, 6-4; C Pioline (Fr) bt Y El Aynaoui (Mor), 7-6, 7-6; J Hrasky (Switz) bt K Braasch (Ger), 6-1, 6-7, 6-3
PEKING: Men's tournament: Second round: C Bergstrom (Mon) bt A Mronz (Ger), 6-3, 6-2; M Gustafsson (Swe) bt C van Rensburg (SA), 6-4, 6-4
VIENNA: Men's tournament: First round: N Kulti (Swe) bt M Gottfror (Ger), 7-6, 7-6; T Muster (Austria) bt C Amoris (Ger), 6-1, 6-1; M Rossel (Switz) bt S Noszaly (Hun), 7-6, 6-3; A Mansdorf (Isr) bt A Krickstein (US), 6-2, 2-1 rtd; M Washington (US) bt J Stark (US), 7-6, 6-2. Second round: G Ivanisevic (Cro) bt T Buchmayer (Austria), 6-3, 6-4.
BUDAPEST: Women's tournament: First round: I Gorrochategui (Arg) bt K Teodorowitz (Pol), 6-2, 7-6; K Habsudova (Slovakia) bt C Tanner (Fr), 6-0, 6-2; J Wiesner (Austria) bt B Schett (Austria), 6-1, 6-2; S Meier (Ger) bt S Testud (Fr), 7-6, 1-6, 6-1; S Appelmans (Bel) bt A Temesvari (Hun), 6-7, 6-1, 6-2; N Dahlman (Fin) bt E Pampoulova-Wagner (Bul), 6-0, 4-1 rtd; E Brioukhovets (Ukr) bt R Zrubakova (Slovakia), 6-3, 6-1; E Makarova (Russ) bt M Babel (Ger), 6-2, 6-1; L Courtois (Bel) bt S Cecchini (It), 6-7, 6-4, 6-2; J Halard (Fr) bt K Boogart (Holl), 6-2, 6-3
HONG KONG: Men's round robin tournament: Red group: T Woodbridge (Aus) bt C Costa (Sp), 6-4, 6-0. Blue group: R Krajicek (Holl) bt J McEnroe (US), 6-4, 6-4. Silver group: T Martin (US) bt A Jarryd (Swe), 6-7, 7-6, 6-3

YACHTING

BERMUDA: Omega Gold Cup: First round: R Coutts (NZ) bt M Namba (Japan), 3-0; K Mahaney (US) bt B Walker (Ber), 3-1; M Wasser (Ger) bt C Law (GB), 3-1; E Baird (US) bt T Hutchinson (US), 3-1; R Davis (Aus) bt S Morgan (Can), 3-0; R Heiner (Holl) bt T Peponnet (Fr), 3-0; E Warden-Owen (GB) bt J Brady (US), 3-1; P Gilmour (Aus) bt P Bromby (Ber), 3-0

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Path smoothed for Aga's return

BY RICHARD EVANS, RACING CORRESPONDENT

THE Aga Khan may have lost the battle over the disqualification of Aliysa, his 1989 Oaks "winner", but yesterday he won the personal war he has waged with British racing authorities over drug-testing procedures.

A report approved by the Jockey Club proposes key changes in anti-doping policy which look certain to meet in full the complaints made by the Aga in 1990, when he withdrew his 70-strong string of horses from Britain in protest at the handling of the Aliysa case.

The changes, due to be implimented in 1994, mean his famous green and red silks look guaranteed to return to Britain next Flat season.

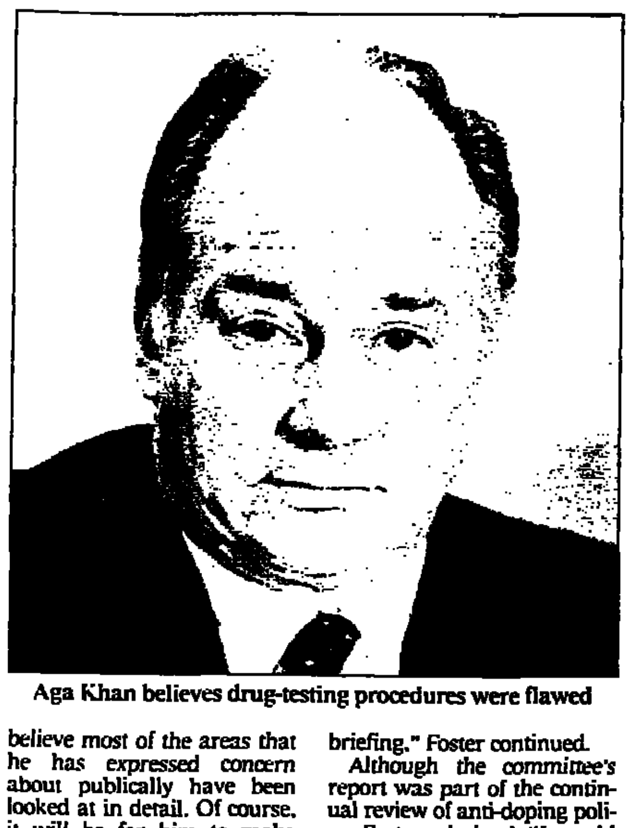
The Aga insisted in 1990 he would not race again in Britain until effective measures were taken to correct "flawed equine drug-testing procedures." In an interview during the recent Arc weekend, he emphasised the need for harmonising best scientitific practice, the validification of testing techniques, improved research and a timetable for introducing reforms.

By far the most important change included in a report prepared by the European scientific liason committee will see the introduction of "mandatory counter-analysis" of positive dope tests in Britain. A sample from a horse which is tested positive will have to undergo a compulsory second test at a different laboratory.

The Horseracing Forensic Laboratory (HFL) at Newmarket currently conducts tests and is the sole arbiter, unlike in Ireland and France where secondary testing is normal.

The importance attached by the Aga to positive samples being automatically checked by a different laboratory can be gauged from what he said in Paris earlier this month. "One laboratory does not have the capacity to deal with the full range of issues. When testing samples, there should always be a laboratory other than the HFL used, or we will continue to be exposed to the one laboratory, one scientist risk."

Christopher Foster, secretary to the Jockey Club, was a member of the European committee which prepared the report and as he unveiled the details yesterday you could be forgiven for thinking they had been written by the Aga."I believe most of the areas that he has expressed concern about publically have been looked at in detail. Of course, it will be for him to make judgements in the light of these recommendations. We have sent the papers to him and offered to give him a briefing," Foster continued.



Aga Khan believes drug-testing procedures were flawed

Although the committee's report was part of the continual review of anti-doping policy, Foster admitted: "I would not want to underestimate the brightness of the light which was focused on these issues as a result of the Aliysa case." He added: "The main aim is to create a common environment to best practice standards such that in whichever of the three countries a horse is raced, the horse and its connections are treated in the same way in all key matters of principle."

Recommendations cover sample collection and testing, prohibited substances and plans for research. Where possible, scientific issues involving a positive test will be dealt with before cases are referred to adjudicating bodies such as the Jockey Club's disciplinary committee.

One issue to be resolved is whether a positive test should be made public before it is confirmed by the compulsory second test.

□ The coming together of racing and bookmaking interests to call for a significant cut in betting tax yesterday impressed Sir John Cope, the Paymaster General.

Sir John, the Treasury minister responsible for betting tax, received a five-strong delegation, including Lord Hartington, chairman of the British Horseracing Board, and gave them a 40-minute hearing during which the case for a tax reduction from 7.75p in the pound to 6p was explained.

United Racecourses put up for sale at £25 million

BY RICHARD EVANS

A MINIMUM price of £25 million was placed on Sandown Park, Kempton Park and Epsom racecourses after they were formally put up for sale yesterday.

The trio of outer London tracks, owned by the Horserace Betting Levy Board via its subsidiary United Racecourses (UR), are expected to be sold by next February or March, giving the new owners time to prepare for running the Derby at Epsom in June.

Prospective purchasers will have to give solid guarantees that racing will continue at the three courses — and that has caused friction between the Levy Board and UR, chaired by Sir Evelyn de Rothschild.

The UR board said yesterday it was "concerned that this decision to sell the courses must be affirmed by complete security for the long-term continuance of high-quality racing on the three courses; hitherto, the board has not been satisfied that this has been fulfilled."

Rodney Brack, chief executive of the Levy Board, stressed yesterday the sale would not necessarily go to the highest bidder, but to an appropriate bidder who could offer the necessary guarantees.

Lazard Brothers have been appointed to advise on the method of sale. Speculation about the asking price prompted Brack to say: "The board will be looking for more than £25 million." UR debts are around £10 million, mainly due to the Epsom grandstand development.

Racecourse Holdings Trust (RHT), a subsidiary of the Jockey Club, immediately announced it would be making an offer for the racecourses. RHT manages nine tracks including Cheltenham, Newmarket and Aintree.

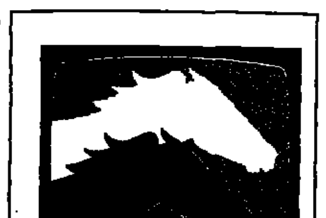
David Hillyard, managing director of RHT, said: "We have the resources and management expertise to ensure a safe future for these world-famous racecourses, which I believe is critical to the continuance of high-standard racing in this country." He added: "We are interested in the long-term benefits of racing, not shareholder profits. We are not allowed to declare a dividend. We have invested £25 million over the past ten years in our courses.

"I cannot believe anybody will be able to match our covenant to keep the quality of racing going. We know what we think UR is worth and we have got the finance in place."

Tim Neligan, managing director of UR, yesterday ruled out the possibility of a management buy-out. "The philosophy behind management buy-outs is to make a profit and keep increasing a profit — and that could be at the expense of prize-money."

Bill Gredley is organising a bid for the courses on behalf of the Racehorse Owners' Association.

□ Nick Cheyne, clerk of the course at Sandown, is to succeed Nicky Beaumont as clerk of the course at Ascot.



TODAY'S RACES ON TELEVISION

NEWBURY
BBC2

2.40: Satin Dancer proved rather disappointing on the Flat this term, but there was much to like about his debut over hurdles at Fontwell, where he easily justified favouritism.

The Guy Harwood-trained three-year-old was subsequently not disgraced behind the smart recruit Wings Cove at Kempton last Saturday, and should get back on the winning trail.

The Bill Clay-trained Criminal Record, a Southwell winner on the Flat, was a well-beaten third at Carlisle and newcomer Grand Applause may be the best of the rest.

3.10: Dis Train suffered from broken blood vessels last season, but his trainer, Simon Sherwood, believes he has found the cure. The chaser certainly looked impressive on his seasonal reappearance and he remains well handicapped.

Brandeston won this event last year and Mr Entertainer is particularly effective at this course. Guiburn's Nephew goes well fresh and Philip Hobbs has his string in top form, but the consistent Green Island is rated the biggest danger.

3.40: If Major Bugler reproduces the form which saw Toby Balding's runner finish third in last season's Triumph Hurdle, he should win. But that Cheltenham race is infamous for leaving its mark on young horses and I will take a risk with **Zamirah**. The Nigel Twiston-Davies-trained front-running filly is a course and distance winner and is sure to be fit enough.

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Nap: JABAROOT
(4.30 Doncaster)
Next best: Aahsaylad
(2.10 Newbury)

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NEWBURY

THUNDERER

2.10 Aahsaylad
2.40 Satin Dancer
3.10 DIS TRAIN (nap)
3.40 Major Bugler
4.10 Amtrak Express
4.40 Bally Clover
5.10 Jungle Rites

GOING: GOOD — SIS

2.10 OCTOBER HANDICAP HURDLE (£4,347: 3m 110yd) (8 runners)

101 330210- TOP JAVALIN 198 (D,S) (Mrs J Ralp) D Barons 6-11-10 ... R Darke (7) 99
102 1P112-1 AAHSAYLAD 6F (B,D,F,G,S) (Ms M Horan) J White 7-11-9 ... A Maguire 98
103 22312-5 HURRICANE BLAKE 20 (B,F,G) (P Rylands) D Grissell 5-11-7 ... J Railton 93
104 /0221/P LEGAL BEAGLE 13 (B,CD,B,S) (R Miller) G Harwood 6-10-12 ... M Perrett –
105 61F050- EMERALD SUNSET 251 (CD,G) (Mrs G Davison) R Simpson 8-10-9 ... D Gallagher 92
106 330241- CHIEF CELT 181 (D,G,S) (Mrs J Pepplatt) J King 7-10-7 ... G McCourt 98
107 5000/15 MEDITATOR 13 (B,G,S) (Miss J Doyle) Miss J Doyle 9-10-6 ... S Curran (5) 92
108 P31/4PP- PHARAOH'S LAEN 265 (D,F,G,S) (T Johnsey) Miss C Johnsey 12-10-4 ... B Powell –

BETTING: Evens Aahsaylad, 7-2 Top Javalin, 5-1 Chief Celt, 6-1 Meditator, 10-1 Hurricane Blake, 33-1 others.

1992: EMERALD SUNSET 7-10-0 D Gallagher (25-1) A Davison 6 ran

FORM FOCUS

TOP JAVALIN beat Glebelands Girl 12l in a 15-runner handicap hurdle at Worcester on penultimate start (3m, soft). AAHSAYLAD, Cesarewitch winner on Saturday, beat Carpet Capers 2½l in a 3-runner handicap hurdle at Newton Abbot (3m 3f, good to firm). HURRICANE BLAKE 17¾l 5th of 8 to Desperate in a handicap hurdle at Chepstow (3m, good). EMERALD SUNSET beat Mayfair Minx 1l in this race (good) last year, with TOP JAVELIN (15lb worse off) a head 3rd of 6. CHIEF CELT beat Master Jolson 4l in a 22-runner novice hurdle at Worcester (3m, good). MEDITATOR 20½l 5th of 9 to Midfielder in a handicap hurdle at Worcester (3m 5f 110yd, soft), with LEGAL BEAGLE (4lb better off) pulled up.
Selection: AAHSAYLAD (nap)

2.40 FALCON CATERING EQUIPMENT NOVICES HURDLE — BBC2
(3-Y-O: £3,353: 2m 110yd) (7 runners)

201 12 SATIN DANCER 6 (F) (G Harwood) G Harwood 11-5 ... M Perrett 99
202 ACROSS THE BOW 400F (C Lloyd-Baker) A Dunn 11-0 ... Peter Hobbs –
203 3 CRIMINAL RECORD 11 (Ed Weetman (Haulage & Storage) Ltd) W Clay 11-0 ... Diane Clay 76
204 GRAND APPLAUSE 34F (M Lewin) R Simpson 11-0 ... D Gallagher –
205 PARIS ROBBER (F Ivory) J Moore 11-0 ... A Charlton –
206 LA POSADA 52F (E Houghton) J Moore 10-9 ... P Moore (7) –
207 THE SNOUT 17F (Mrs J Hemsley) T Casey 10-9 ... A Maguire –

BETTING: 4-7 Satin Dancer, 4-1 Criminal Record, 8-1 Grand Applause, 10-1 The Snout, 14-1 others.

1992: EDEN'S CLOSE 11-0 S Smith Eccles (11-2) M Tompkins 9 ran

FORM FOCUS

SATIN DANCER 7l 2nd of 14 to Wings Cove in a novice hurdle at Kempton (2m, good). CRIMINAL RECORD 16l 3rd of 10 to General Chase in a novice hurdle at Carlisle (2m 1f, good). GRAND APPLAUSE 44l 18th of 20 to Castoret in a handicap here (1m 5f 61yd, good to soft). LA POSADA 13½l last of 4 to La Spezia in a maiden at Epsom (1m 2f, good to firm). THE SNOUT 20l 10th of 11 to Silver Groom in a handicap at Sandown on penultimate start (1m, soft).
Selection: SATIN DANCER

3.10 GLYNWED INTERNATIONAL HANDICAP CHASE — BBC2
(£7,203: 2m 4f) (10 runners)

301 3/1124F- FREELINE FINISHING 279 (B,S) (I Stuart) N Henderson 9-11-10 ... M A Fitzgerald 88
302 222012- CALAPAEZ 184 (D,F,G,S) (T Blake) Miss B Sanders 9-11-8 ... A Maguire 99
303 F410F2- MR ENTERTAINER 174 (CD,F,G,S) (M Boddington) N Gaselee 10-11-4 ... D Murphy 92
304 411221- GUIBURN'S NEPHEW 178 (CD,F,G,S) (Mrs R Steed) P Hobbs 11-11-1 ... C Maude 93
305 R21B1-1 DIS TRAIN 17 (G,S) (M Oberstein) S Sherwood 9-11-1 ... J Osborne 90
306 31/115-4 BRANDESTON 13 (CD,F,G,S) (G Hubbard) F Murphy 8-11-1 ... B Murphy (5) 89
307 6116-0F CASTLE KING 34 (D,F,G) (E Whelan) P Hedger 6-10-7 ... B Powell 85
308 1211-22 GREEN ISLAND 24 (BF,F,G) (J Moloney) A Dunn 7-10-4 ... Peter Hobbs 94
309 F3144-1 BALLYROE LADY 20 (D,G) (T Whitley) D Gandolfo 7-10-0 ... P Holley 91
310 41324/P- BE SURPRISED 349 (D,G) (F Hill) A Moore 7-10-0 ... J Clarke (7) –

Long handicap: Ballyroe Lady 9-10, Be Surprised 8-0

BETTING: 11-4 Dis Train, 5-1 Brandeston, 11-2 Castle King, 6-1 Guiburn's Nephew, 8-1 Green Island, 10-1 Ballyroe Lady, Freeline Finishing, Mr Entertainer, 12-1 Calapaez, 150-1 Be Surprised.

1992: BRANDESTON 7-10-11 D Murphy (9-2 jt-fav) F Murphy 9 ran

FORM FOCUS

CALAPAEZ ¾l 2nd of 4 to Beech Road in the grade II Silver Trophy Chase at Cheltenham (2m 5f, good). GUIBURN'S NEPHEW beat Northern Jinks 5l in an 8-runner handicap chase at Ascot (2m, good).
DIS TRAIN beat Wide Boy 8l in a 4-runner handicap chase at Newton Abbot (2m 5f, soft). BRANDESTON beat GUIBURN'S NEPHEW (1lb better off) 3½l in this race (good) last year. GREEN ISLAND 3l 2nd of 6 to Ardcroney Chief in a handicap chase at Exeter (2m 3f, good). BALLYROE LADY beat Tourean Prince 1 1/2l in a 9-runner handicap chase at Uttoxeter (2m 5f, good).
Selection: CALAPAEZ

3.40 FLAVEL-LEISURE HURDLE — BBC2
(4-Y-O: £3,678: 2m 110yd) (10 runners)

401 111105- DOMINANT SERENADE 16F (D,G,S) (North Briton Racing Club) M Hammond 11-7 ... C Grant 93
402 205430- EDEN'S CLOSE 34F (CD,G) (Mrs M Barwell) M Tompkins 11-3 ... D Murphy 89
403 13100- KADI 204 (D,G,S) (Sheikh Ahmed bin Saeed Al Maktoum) D Nicholson 11-3 ... A Maguire 96
404 4133P-5 MAJOR BUGLER 20 (V,CD,S) (C Buckle) G Balding 11-3 ... J Railton 99
405 DUTY SERGEANT 36F (W Mann) M Muggeridge 11-0 ... G Bradley –
406 1- MAN O MINE 167 (D,F) (G Hubbard) F Murphy 11-0 ... B Murphy (5) –
407 05453-0 MIDDLE MARKER 20 (D,G) (Miss M O'Donnell) W Clay 11-0 ... Diane Clay 90
408 12 NATIVE CHIEFTAN 15 (D,F) (Mrs S Crowe) S Dow 11-0 ... H Davies 82
409 41126- ZAMIRAH 204 (CD,F,G) (N Twiston-Davies) N Twiston-Davies 10-12 ... D Bridgwater 97
410 6 ROCKY BAY 27 (Lodge Cross Partnership) B Llewellyn 10-9 ... Mr J L Llewellyn (7) –

BETTING: 2-1 Major Bugler, 4-1 Dominant Serenade, 5-1 Zamirah, 6-1 Kadi, 8-1 Native Chieftan, 12-1 Man O Mine, 14-1 Eden's Close, 33-1 others

1992: STAUNCH FRIEND 11-7 S Smith Eccles (8-11 fav) M Tompkins 4 ran

FORM FOCUS

DOMINANT SERENADE 5¾l 5th of 8 to Titled Dancer in the grade II Glenlivet Anniversary Hurdle at Aintree (2m 110yd, good to firm), with ZAMIRAH (4lb better off) a neck 6th and KADI (4lb better off) ½l 7th. EDEN'S CLOSE about 12¾l 3rd of 12 to Amazon Express in the grade II Tote Placepot Hurdle at Kempton on penultimate start (2m, good). MAJOR BUGLER 48½l 5th of 6 to Cultured in a handicap hurdle at Chepstow (2m 110yd, good). Best effort last season when 2½l 3rd of 25 to Shawiya in the grade I Triumph Hurdle at Cheltenham (2m 1f, good to firm), with KADI (same terms) 11¼l 10th, DOMINANT SERENADE (4lb worse off) 1l 12th and EDEN'S CLOSE (same terms) 8l 21st.
NATIVE CHIEFTAN 1½l 2nd of 12 to Old Bridge in a novice hurdle at Wincanton (2m, good).
Selection: MAJOR BUGLER

4.10 LEISURE PROLINE NOVICES CHASE (£3,626: 2m 1f) (11 runners)

501 625F4-1 SOCIAL CLIMBER 16 (G,S) (L Kimber) A Turnell 9-11-5 ... S McNeill 86
502 513110- AMTRAK EXPRESS 184 (F,G,S) (Amtrak Ltd) N Henderson 6-11-1 ... M A Fitzgerald –
503 3/4233-U BARGE BOY 15 (CD,BF,F,G) (C House) J Old 9-11-1 ... Peter Hobbs 99
504 /0P344- CAPSIZE 217 (G) (F Hill) A Moore 7-11-1 ... B Powell 85
505 1 CHARLIE JOHNSON 39 (B,F) (C Harris) J White 9-11-1 ... P McLoughlin (7) 87
506 1222F6- DREAMERS DELIGHT 204 (G,S) (Mrs H Clarke) D Nicholson 7-11-1 ... A Maguire –
507 40665P- DURRINGTON 193 (D,S) (Mrs S Elphick) M Bolton 7-11-1 ... C Maude –
508 1/0545- PARDON ME SIR 184 (D,F,G,S) (M Humby) G Balding 9-11-1 ... S Hodgson –
509 43P52-3 PICKETSTONE 22 (J Webber) J Webber 6-11-1 ... G McCourt –
510 P/133- TITUS GOLD 306 (S) (A Dickinson) W Clay 8-11-1 ... C Grant –
511 50/2F22- WHAT'S IN ORBIT 330 (G) (P Barber) P Nicholls 8-11-1 ... G Bradley 90

BETTING: 11-4 What's In Orbit, 100-30 Barge Boy, 5-1 Social Climber, 6-1 Charlie Johnson, 8-1 Amtrak Express, 10-1 Capsize, 14-1 Picketstone, 16-1 others.

1992: TRAVADO 6-11-1 R Dunwoody (5-4 fav) N Henderson 6 ran

FORM FOCUS

SOCIAL CLIMBER beat Dedra Dove 4l in a 7-runner novice chase at Towcester (2m 110yd, soft). AMTRACK EXPRESS beat Marsajan 12l in an 11-runner novice hurdle at Wincanton on penultimate start (2m, good to firm). CHARLIE JOHNSON beat Island Forest 4l in a 5-runner novice chase at Plumpton (2m 5f, good to firm). DREAMERS DELIGHT's best effort last season was when 4l 2nd of 5 to Frickley in the grade II Rossington Main Novices' Hurdle at Doncaster (2m 110yd, good). TITUS GOLD 4l 3rd of 10 to Secret Liason in a handicap hurdle at Wolverhampton on penultimate start (2m 110yd, good). WHAT'S IN ORBIT 8l 2nd of 5 to Sybillin in the grade II Hurst Park Novices' Chase at Ascot in November (2m, good to soft).
Selection: SOCIAL CLIMBER

4.40 SEVEN BARROWS HANDICAP HURDLE
(£4,467: 2m 110yd) (8 runners)

601 511215- WINTER SQUALL 204 (D,F,S) (Mrs S Robins) D Nicholson 5-12-0 ... A Maguire 90
602 211R24- GIVENTIME 219 (D,S) (L Kimber) A Turnell 5-12-0 ... D Ford (7) 88
603 22021-1 LEOTARD 22 (D,G) (C Heath) O Sherwood 6-11-7 ... J Osborne 96
604 0/1311P- MARTHA'S SON 272 (CD,F,G,S) (M Ward-Thomas) T Forster 8-11-6 ... B Powell 94
605 0/11320- BALLY CLOVER 219 (D,G,S) (Mrs E Roberts) N Henderson 6-11-4 ... M A Fitzgerald 90
606 0051-62 CHILD OF THE MIST 4 (D,G,S) (J Whyte) J Whyte 7-10-6 ... J Kavanagh 99
607 505-322 NAHAR 11 (D,BF,G) (R Cross) S Dow 8-10-6 ... H Davies 98
608 1212F5- BIBENDUM 167 (D,G,S) (R Waley-Cohen) R Waley-Cohen 7-10-5 ... Peter Hobbs 97

BETTING: 9-4 Leotard, 3-1 Winter Squall, 5-1 Martha's Son, 6-1 Giventime, 8-1 Nahar, 10-1 Child of The Mist, 12-1 others.

1992: MIGHTY MOGUL 5-11-8 R Dunwoody (15-8 fav) D Nicholson 8 ran

FORM FOCUS

GIVENTIME 5½l 4th of 19 to Gaelstrom in the grade II Sun Alliance Novices' Hurdle at Cheltenham (2m 5f, good to firm).
LEOTARD beat NAHAR (11lb better off) 6l in an 8-runner handicap hurdle at Cheltenham (2m 110yd, good). MARTHA'S SON beat Miami Splash ¾l in a 14-runner handicap hurdle over course and distance on penultimate start (soft). BALLY CLOVER 1l 2nd of 10 to Grand Hawk in a novice hurdle at Kempton on penultimate start (2m 5f, good). CHILD OF THE MIST 4l 2nd of 10 to Hallo Mam in a handicap hurdle at Fakenham last time out (2m 110yd, good).
Selection: NAHAR

5.10 EBF STAKES NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (£2,374: 2m 110yd) (25 runners)

1 1- CONNAUGHT CRUSADER 198 (D,S) (Connaught Ltd) P Hobbs 5-11-7 ... Mr G Lewis (7) –
2 1 GOOD INSIGHT 22 (D,S) (Insight Cartons Ltd) C Brooks 5-11-7 ... J McCarthy (5) –
3 6-1 JUNGLE RITES 14 (D,G) (Mrs B Eve) Jimmy Fitzgerald 5-11-7 ... G Tormey (7) –
4 0- AFTICA 198 (A Gome) J Moore 6-11-0 ... D Meredith (3) –
5 ASLAR (J Moore) J Moore 4-11-0 ... P Moore (7) –
6 2- CONEY ROAD 148 (T Eaves) D Elsworth 4-11-0 ... J Hunter (7) –
7 COTTAGE RAIDER (P Evans) C Weedon 4-11-0 ... D O'Sullivan (3) –
8 CRADLERS (Mrs J Powell) R Rowe 5-11-0 ... C Burnett-Wells (5) –
9 DEAR DO (C Edwards) N Henderson 6-11-0 ... Pat Thompson (7) –
10 FERAL BAY (Feral Racing) C Brooks 4-11-0 ... Mr Raymond White –
11 HURRICANE HANKS (Keswick) N Twiston-Davies 4-11-0 ... V Slattery –
12 0- ITS GRAND 198 (Avon & West Windows) R Manning 4-11-0 ... A Flannigan (7) –
13 JIMMY-JADE (G Chamberlain) A Chamberlain 4-11-0 ... D Leahy (5) –
14 5 KING RUST 13 (R Brown) R Brown 5-11-0 ... Mr J L Llewellyn (7) –
15 LONZA VALLEY (A Clapperton) D Gandolfo 4-11-0 ... W Marston (3) –
16 LOYAL GAIT (A Darlington) A J Wilson 5-11-0 ... K Brown (7) –
17 4- MISTER NOVA 167 (Lord Matthews) N Henderson 4-11-0 ... Mr C Vigors (7) –
18 2- MR GREY FELLOW 121 (D Damianos) G Hemphrey 5-11-0 ... Mr J Durkan –
19 0- POLICEMANS PRIDE 244 (R Dove) M Madgwick 4-11-0 ... J Clarke (7) –
20 4- ROYAL GAIT 198 (Lt Cmdr P Flaxle) D Barons 5-11-0 ... R Darke (7) –
21 SPRINTFAYRE (P Colman) R Simpson 5-11-0 ... Mr Matthew J Jones (7) –
22 TREENS FOLLY (M O'Toole) F O'Mahony 4-11-0 ... L Dace (7) –
23 WATERBEACH VILLAGE (J Whyte) J Whyte 5-11-0 ... Mr M Gingell (7) –
24 DREAMLINE (R Wheeler) M Muggeridge 4-10-9 ... R Williamson (7) –
25 GOSPEL (Mrs J Powell) N Twiston-Davies 4-10-9 ... Mr S Joynes (7) –

BETTING: 7-2 Good Insight, 4-1 Connaught Crusader, 11-2 Jungle Rites, 13-2 Mr Grey Fellow, 10-1 others.

1992: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Wins	Rnrs	%	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	%
M Tompkins	6	15	40.0	P Holley	12	54	22.2
O Sherwood	20	83	24.1	J Osborne	29	137	21.2
D Nicholson	19	84	22.6	G McCourt	9	58	15.5
F Murphy	3	14	21.4	M Perrett	10	69	14.5
N Henderson	24	113	21.2	J Kavanagh	3	21	14.3
G Harwood	4	20	20.0	S McNeill	7	50	14.0

Wightman calls it a day

BILL Wightman, Britain's longest-serving trainer, called an end to his 56-year career at Newbury yesterday.

Wightman, 79, had intended to retire after saddling Googly no matter where the horse finished in the PCL Handicap. However Googly swept from last to first with a dream run up the rails, and the 9-1 shot provided the perfect ending.

"I've had the best of it, now the time has come to put the guns away," he said. Wightman collected most of the major Flat handicaps over the years including the Lincoln, Ayr Gold Cup, Stewards' Cup, Cambridgeshire, Wokingham, Chester Cup and Magnet Cup. And he added to that with two victories in the King George VI Chase with Halloween.

Wightman has put his 50-box yard at Upham, Hampshire, on the market and Googly, along with the rest of the string, will be sold at Newmarket Sales on Monday. Googly achieved another landmark, giving jockey John Reid his maiden century.

DONCASTER

THUNDERER
1.25 Melodic Drive. 1.55 Knock To Enter. 2.30 Maradonna. 3.00 Mwaared. 3.30 Allegan. 4.00 Stash The Cash. 4.30 Ptoto. 5.00 Wandesta.
The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 4.00 STASH THE CASH.
Our Newmarket Correspondent: 1.25 Miss Fascination. 2.30 Sure Haven. 4.30 PTOTO (nap).

GOING: GOOD (GOOD TO SOFT IN PLACES) — SIS
DRAW: 7F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST. LOW NUMBERS HAVE SLIGHT ADVANTAGE ON ROUND COURSE.

1.25 OCTOBER APPRENTICE HANDICAP
(3-Y-O: £3,493: 7f) (22 runners)

1 2100 DANCING DOMINO 27 (D,F,G,S) M H Easterby 9-7 ... Mark Denaro 4
2 2040 DAILY SPORT DON 17 (D,G,S) R Hannon 9-3 ... E Greehy (7) 7
3 1200 KARINSKA 13 (D,F,G) M Chapman 9-2 ... S Knott (5) 12
4 1000 BOLD SEVEN 18 (F,G) F Lee 9-1 ... H Bastiman 11
5 2214 MISS FASCINATION 37 (BF,F,G) M Jarvis 9-0 ... P McCabe 18
6 2050 PENNY FAN 39 H Candy 8-13 ... Antoinette Armes 15
7 1000 LAMSONETTI 8 (D,G) R Whitaker 8-12 ... G Parkin (3) 9
8 3P31 MELODIC DRIVE 25 (S) P Felgate 8-10 ... J Edmunds (5) 2
9 1360 DUKE OF DREAMS 28 (D,F) Mrs M Reveley 8-10 ... S Copp (5) 22
10 1500 TIME HONORED 18 (F) M Prescott 8-9 ... T G McLaughlin 20
11 2-00 GLOWING JADE 18 M Channon 8-8 ... R Painter (3) 17
12 0030 EGG 17 (BF,S) T Barron 8-6 ... Kimberley Hart (7) 6
13 6500 KAPUCHKA 30 K Cunningham-Brown 8-4 ... V Halliday 13
14 4515 CLARIFICATION 18 (B,S) J Wharton 8-3 ... B Russell 1
15 1602 AHJAY 22 (D,F) D Wilson 8-2 ... J D Smith 21
16 2300 NYMPH ERRANT 17 P Makin 8-2 ... S Mulvey 5
17 5104 INFANTRY GLEN 8 (V,G) G Oldroyd 8-2 ... N Varley 16
18 4000 VILAMAR 18 (D,F) E Alston 8-2 ... Claire Balding 10
19 0F56 MASTER FIDDLER 7 E Weymes 8-0 ... M Humphries 3
20 0650 MURPHY'S HOPE 50 M Heaton-Ellis 8-0 ... D Gibbs (3) 14
21 4344 NOBLE MEASURE 25 (B) S Bowring 7-13 ... M Baird (5) 19
22 4040 MASTER BEVELED 58J P Evans 7-12 ... S Sanders 8

7-1 Miss Fascination, 8-1 Daily Sport Don, 9-1 Egg, 10-1 Dancing Domino, Ahjay, Melodic Drive, 12-1 Karinska, Clarification, 14-1 others.

1.55 DON VALLEY CLAIMING STAKES
(£3,548: 7f) (22)

1 6654 ALLINSON'S MATE 8 (D,F,G) T Barron 5-9-6 ... W Ryan 20
2 1326 GRAND VITESSE 15 (D,F,S) R Hannon 4-9-6 ... D Gibbs (7) 5
3 1304 KNOCK TO ENTER 25 (D,F,G) M Williams 5-9-6 D Wright (5) 10
4 6100 DEBSY DO 28 (D,F,G) S Norton 4-8-13 ... D Pears (3) 21
5 4068 SARTIGILA 13 (S) M Hammond 4-8-12 ... L Dettori 6
6 5850 ASHGORE 41 (F,G) M Johnston 3-8-11 ... M Roberts 19
7 /0-00 COURTENAY BEE 50 (G) W Jarvis 4-8-11 ... R Price 16
8 6050 FREDDIE JACK 18 (B) F Lee 3-8-9 ... J Fortune 4
9 -000 MINIZEN MUSIC 26 (F) M Brittain 5-8-9 ... M Wigham 22
10 3050 LARN FORT 18 (V,G,S) T Fairhurst 3-8-8 ... J Fanning 15
11 2040 DEAD CALM 13 (V,S) C Tinkler 3-8-7 ... M Tebbutt 11
12 4036 QUEEN OF THE QUORN 24 (D,S) G Moore 3-8-7 ... W Newnes 1
13 30/ BITOUT THE MIDDLE 804 J Harris 4-8-5 ... J Carroll 13
14 5040 HAWAYMYSON 27 A Stringer 3-8-4 ... S Maloney (3) 2
15 5800 THROW AWAY LINE 34 R Barr 4-8-3 ... J Tate (5) 9
16 -055 BOLD PHILIP 158 R Juckes 3-8-2 ... A Garth (5) 17
17 0520 WESTERING 22 J Harris 3-8-1 ... P Robinson 8
18 2500 PYTCHLEY DAWN 36 J Pickering 3-8-0 ... N Carlisle 18
19 0000 SEASON'S STAR 22 H Candy 3-8-0 ... S Dawson 3
20 0000 BRIGADORE GOLD 17 (B) F Lee 3-7-13 ... N Kennedy (3) 12
21 D-00 ANNIE'S BAY 25 D Moffatt 3-7-12 ... Darren Moffatt (5) 7
22 2000 COLMAR 18 J Spearing 3-7-11 ... A Mackay 14

2-1 Knock To Enter, 4-1 Debsy Do, 7-1 Allinson's Mate, Grand Vitesse, 12-1 Sartigila, Ashgore, 16-1 Westering, 20-1 Season's Star, 25-1 others.

2.30 ENGLISH ESTATES HANDICAP
(£4,142: 1m 6f 132yd) (13)

1 4032 GOOD HAND 27 (C,F,G) J Watts 7-10-0 ... N Connorton 5
2 2-00 SUBSONIC 21 (D,F,G,S) J Dunlop 5-9-7 ... W Carson 6
3 -514 MARADONNA 21 (BF,S) L Cumani 4-9-4 ... J Weaver 3
4 2044 SURE HAVEN 27 (S) M Prescott 4-9-4 ... G Duffield 7
5 1600 SHUJAN 21 (C,D,B,S) R Armstrong 4-9-4 ... L Dettori 2
6 6023 WHITE WILLOW 7 (D,G,S) Mrs M Reveley 4-9-3 ... R Cochrane 4
7 4120 WINGS COVE 6J (D,F) Lady Herries 3-9-0 ... J Williams 11
8 6004 HIERARCH 16 (V,G) Lord Huntingdon 4-8-11 ... W R Swinburn 9
9 1500 CUMBRIAN RHAPSODY 17 (D,G,S) M H Easterby 3-8-9 ... M Birch 13
10 0000 EXPO MONDIAL 16 (F) J Eustace 3-8-4 ... N Kennedy (3) 1
11 5000 ADMINISTER 18 (B,G) M Meagher 5-7-10 ... J Quinn 10
12 0552 FAMOUS BEAUTY 6 (D,F,G,S) R Hollinshead 6-7-7 A Garth (5) 8
13 0/26- NONCOMMITAL 20J J Mackie 6-7-7 ... Darren Moffatt (5) 12

5-1 Good Hand, 11-2 Wings Cove, Hierarch, 13-2 Maradonna, 7-1 Sure Haven, Shujan, 15-2 White Willow, 10-1 Cumbrian Rhapsody, 12-1 Subsonic, 25-1 others.

BLINKERED FIRST TIME: Doncaster: 1.55 Brigadore Gold. 4.00 Non Vintage.
OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS: all engagements (dead): Dromin, Intuitive Joe, Jackdamus, Dance Parlour, Flemish Fudge.

3.00 EBF WHEATLEY PARK FILLIES MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £4,485: 1m) (14)

1 033 AZHAAR 13 J Dunlop 8-11 ... W Carson 12
2 023 BRENTWOOD 74 R Hannon 8-11 ... J Reid 3
3 32 COIGACH 31 (BF) H Cecil 8-11 ... W Ryan 8
4 DANCING HEIGHTS I Balding 8-11 ... S O'Gorman 14
5 DUWON A Stewart 8-11 ... M Roberts 10
6 6 FRUSTRATION 36 Lady Herries 8-11 ... J Williams 7
7 04 IOLANI 50 R Charlton 8-11 ... R Cochrane 6
8 00 MILLIE'S DREAM 71 F Lee 8-11 ... S Perks 1
9 4 MWAARED 8 W Hern 8-11 ... R Hills 5
10 0 MY FIORE 31 P Bevan 8-11 ... C Hawksley (7) 11
11 QUANDARY H Cecil 8-11 ... Pat Eddery 9
12 63 REALIZE 27 (BF) J Gosden 8-11 ... L Dettori 2
13 0 SAMSONESQUE 22 J Fanshawe 8-11 ... W R Swinburn 4
14 004 SPRINGTIME AFFAIR 31 R Hannon 8-11 ... B Raymond 13

4-1 Azhaar, 9-2 Mwaared, 5-1 Realize, 11-2 Coigach, 6-1 others.

3.30 DONCASTER WRITERS CONDITIONS STAKES (£4,166: 2m 110yd) (4)

1 2320 JACK BUTTON 6 (D,F,G,S) Bob Jones 4-9-12 ... N Connorton 3
2 6023 ALLEGAN 66 (BF,G,S) H Cecil 4-9-11 ... Pat Eddery 1
3 5-4 MRS JAWLEYFORD 195J C Smith 5-8-9 ... K Rutter (5) 4
4 0413 CALIANDAK 16 (G) N Tinkler 3-8-8 ... M Birch 2

4-9 Allegan, 9-4 Jack Button, 8-1 Caliandak, 150-1 Mrs Jawleyford.

4.00 HARRY JONES MEMORIAL NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £4,435: 1m) (16)

1 0340 OCHOS RIOS 6 (C,F,G) B Rothwell 9-7 ... D Wright (5) 2
2 2011 LIME STREET BLUES 15 (S) R Hannon 9-5 ... Pat Eddery 5
3 4222 ZUBOON 25 (BF) J Dunlop 9-5 ... W Carson 8
4 3544 TO CROWN IT ALL 24 F Lee 8-13 ... S Perks 12
5 1200 NEW INN 16 (G) E Weymes 8-8 ... W Newnes 13
6 61 KAITAK 17 (S) J Carr 8-8 ... S Morris 9
7 2020 STASH THE CASH 23 R Hannon 8-7 ... L Dettori 11
8 5510 CAPTAIN SCARLET 16 (D,B) B Meehan 8-7 ... B Doyle (3) 14
9 3223 HIT THE CANVAS 36 (BF) Mrs M Reveley 8-7 ... W Ryan 6
10 0411 BENFLEET 36 (D,G,S) R Armstrong 8-5 ... R Price 1
11 3363 NON VINTAGE 16 (B) M H Easterby 8-4 ... K Fallon 16
12 31 PAT'S SPLENDOUR 66 (F) D Morris 8-2 ... J Quinn 10
13 3010 GLORIETTE 17 (BF,S) R Guest 8-0 ... C Hawksley (7) 3
14 2150 CARAPELLE 23 (F) M H Easterby 7-13 ... S Maloney (3) 7
15 0200 DURHAM DRAPES 32 M H Easterby 7-7 ... J Lowe 4
16 4800 CARA CARLTON 18 K Cunningham-Brown 7-7 ... L Charnock 15

4-1 Lime Street Blues, 5-1 Stash The Cash, 7-1 New Inn, Kaitak, 8-1 Zuboon, Hit The Canvas, Gloriette, 10-1 Benfleet, Pat's Splendour, 12-1 others.

4.30 EBF FLAXTON MAIDEN STAKES
(Div I: 2-Y-O: £4,932: 7f) (15)

1 0 ANIF 8 W Hern 9-0 ... W Carson 5
2 CRACKHILL FARM J Hanson 9-0 ... J Reid 14
3 0 DANCE TURN 22 R Armstrong 9-0 ... W Woods 2
4 EZZ ALSEBA M Jarvis 9-0 ... M Roberts 6
5 JABAROOT M Stoute 9-0 ... W R Swinburn 10
6 LAUNCHSELECT D Chapman 9-0 ... J Fanning 8
7 0 LUCAYAN CAY 22 R Hannon 9-0 ... L Dettori 11
8 00 MUCH TOO CLEVER 37 D Morley 9-0 ... M Tebbutt 4
9 4 PTOTO 23 L Cumani 9-0 ... R Cochrane 3
10 0 RUN WITH JOY 23 H Candy 9-0 ... W Newnes 7
11 60 WESTERN GENERAL 23 W Jarvis 9-0 ... P Robinson 12
12 4 WHISPERING LOCH 27 P Harris 9-0 ... M Birch 13
13 IMPRECISE R Charlton 8-9 ... R Hills 1
14 5 NORTHWISE 93 W Haigh 8-9 ... Dale Gibson 15
15 TEGULA A Scott 8-9 ... B Raymond 9

5-2 Ptoto, 3-1 Western General, 6-1 Jabaroot, Imprecise, 8-1 others

5.00 EBF FLAXTON MAIDEN STAKES
(Div II: 2-Y-O: £4,932: 7f) (15)

1 3 ARTIC COURIER 17 D Cosgrove 9-0 ... L Dettori 13
2 50 BLUE DOMAIN 17 R Hollinshead 9-0 ... S Perks 3
3 CHIMANIMANI J Dunlop 9-0 ... G Duffield 11
4 00 CONIC HILL 32 G Wragg 9-0 ... M Hills 14
5 0 DALERIVER 28 J Hanson 9-0 ... W Carson 5
6 66 FAAL MARIO 72 M Stoute 9-0 ... M Roberts 15
7 GOLDEN NASHWAN P Chapple-Hyam 9-0 ... J Reid 2
8 00 MILL CITY 37 Miss L Siddall 9-0 ... D Harrison 1
9 52 MOVING ARROW 36 Miss S Hall 9-0 ... N Connorton 4
10 06 RISING SPRAY 37 P Harris 9-0 ... M Birch 9
11 00 THE LONE DANCER 42 I Balding 9-0 ... S O'Gorman 12
12 BLESSED MEMORY A Scott 8-9 ... — 10
13 MYRRH D Morley 8-9 ... M Tebbutt 7
14 WANDESTA R Charlton 8-9 ... Pat Eddery 8
15 0 WILLOW 45 Lady Herries 8-9 ... W Ryan 6

2-1 Golden Nashwan, 3-1 Wandesta, 5-1 Blessed Memory, 6-1 Faal Mario, 10-1 Rising Spray, Myrrh, 12-1 Chimanimani, Conic Hill, 14-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: H Cecil, 28 winners from 88 runners, 31.8%; E Weymes, 4 from 15, 26.7%; J Gosden, 26 from 99, 26.3%; R Charlton, 4 from 18, 22.2%; L Cumani, 13 from 63, 20.6%; R Armstrong, 7 from 34, 20.6%.
JOCKEYS: J Weaver, 8 winners from 32 rides, 25.0%; Pat Eddery, 41 from 196, 20.9%; M Hills, 19 from 119, 16.0%; W Carson, 27 from 201, 13.4%; W Ryan, 14 from 107, 13.1%.

EXETER

THUNDERER
2.20 Edimbourg. 2.50 Beat The Bagman. 3.20 New Statesman. 3.50 Crystal Spirit. 4.20 Iama Zulu. 4.50 Pontoon Bridge.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM — SIS

2.20 BOOKER STEED CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE
(£1,961: 2m 2f) (13 runners)

1 -152 KING UBAD 9 (C,G) K Cunningham-Brown 4-12-0 ... A Thornton
2 6-51 MOBILE MESSENGER 9 (CD,S) D Barons 5-10-11 (7ex) R Davis
3 5621 SIR PAGEANT 13 (S) K Bridgwater 4-10-9 ... D Leahy
4 0P-1 EDIMBOURG 9 (CD,S) Miss H Knight 7-10-2 (7ex) ... J McCarthy
5 380- TALLAND STREAM 177 T Forster 6-10-1 ... R Farrant
6 262- HANDY LASS 172 (BF) Mrs A Knight 4-10-0 ... D Matthews
7 3311 DISTANT MEMORY 24 (CD,F,G) P Hobbs 4-10-0 ... N Parker (4)
8 SPP- DERRYMOSS 155 (B) M Pipe 7-10-0 ... L Reynolds (4)
9 0-24 DUNKERY BEACON 17 H Howe 7-10-0 ... M Hourigan
10 0FD- BARE FISTED 177 J King 5-10-0 ... A Procter
11 -056 COURT OF KINGS 13 J Bradley 4-10-0 ... C Burnett-Wells
12 00-0 WEST MONKTON 7 C Nash 7-10-0 ... W Marston
13 3301 BOXING MATCH 15 (G) J Bradley 6-10-0 ... R Greene

15-8 Edimbourg, 7-2 Distant Memory, 7-1 Talland Stream, 10-1 Handy Lass, Sir Pageant, 12-1 Boxing Match, King Ubad, 14-1 Mobile Messenger, 20-1 others.

2.50 KRAFT GENERAL FOODS FOODSERVICE JUVENILE NOVICES HURDLE
(3-Y-O: £1,751: 2m 2f) (14)

1 122 BEAT THE BAGMAN 29 (BF,F) J Akehurst 11-1 ... L Harvey
2 ABU DANCER 22F K Cunningham-Brown 10-10 ... A Thornton (3)
3 32 ALLEGATION 24 (B) M Pipe 10-10 ... R Dunwoody
4 066 NO SHOW 48 R Juckes 10-10 ... W Humphreys
5 20 RECORD LOVER 34 (B) S Sherwood 10-10 ... M Richards
6 4325 APACHEE FLOWER 24 H Howe 10-5 ... J Frost
7 30 GREEN CHILI 15 J Hills 10-5 ... N Williamson
8 0F3 GROGFRYN 24 C Popham 10-5 ... R Farrant (5)
9 55 IMAGERY 35 R Baker 10-5 ... W McFarland
10 P6 MY SET PEACE 25 M Muggeridge 10-5 ... I Lawrence
11 P PFAFF'S CELLAR 11 (B) J Moore 10-5 ... M Hourigan
12 3 POLLY LEACH 24 G Ham 10-5 ... S Mackey
13 THORNHILL Mrs S Williams 10-5 ... N Hawke
14 VELVET HEART 46F Mrs A Knight 10-5 ... S Burrough

2-1 Allegation, 9-4 Polly Leach, 9-2 Beat The Bagman, 13-2 Record Lover, 8-1 Green Chili, 12-1 others.

3.20 KITSONS NOVICES SELLING HURDLE
(£1,639: 2m 3f 110yd) (7)

1 -366 GILBERT 9 D Carey 5-10-12 ... Lorna Vincent
2 0432 NEW STATESMAN 15 C Barwell 5-10-12 ... R Greene
3 P-53 LAW FACULTY 15 G Ham 4-10-11 ... S Mackey
4 -232 NAJEB 14 P Evans 4-10-11 ... B Clifford
5 PP- PENNY HOLME 312 R Baker 5-10-7 ... L Harvey
6 65-0 DANCING DANCER 25 R Frost 4-10-6 ... J Frost
7 MERLS PEARL 133F P Clarke 4-10-6 ... Leesa Long

5-4 Najeb, 3-1 New Statesman, 4-1 Law Faculty, 6-1 Dancing Dancer, 12-1 Gilbert, 33-1 others.

3.50 BOOKER STEED CUSTOMER CARE DUCHY OF CORNWALL CUP NOVICES CHASE
(£3,746: 2m 3f 110yd) (11)

1 P-36 BARGAIN AND SALE 27 D Minty 6-11-0 ... Mr Richard White (7)
2 360- CANTORIS FRATER 249 Mrs S Williams 6-11-0 ... N Hawke
3 033- CRYSTAL SPIRIT 21F (D,BF,F,G,S) I Balding 6-11-0 ... J Frost
4 4230 FINAL SOUND 27 (B,F) R Baker 8-11-0 ... L Harvey
5 205- IN THE NAVY 179 (G) M Pipe 7-11-0 ... R Dunwoody
6 /0-0 MATAWAI 9 D Barons 6-11-0 ... R Davis (5)
7 R-0P STORM FLIGHT 20 R Buckler 7-11-0 ... Mr C Bonner (7)
8 00-0 TRAIN ROBBER 9 W McKenzie-Coles 8-11-0 ... W Irvine
9 UP JHAL FREZI 22 A Barrow 5-10-12 ... A Thornton (3)
10 MR SUNBEAM A Jarvis 5-10-12 ... T Jarvis
11 F4-P PAPER STAR 17 M Muggeridge 6-10-9 ... R Guest

5-4 Crystal Spirit, 2-1 In The Navy, 13-2 Final Sound, 8-1 Train Robber, 12-1 Mr Sunbeam, 20-1 others.

4.20 IF YOU NEED IT BOOKER STEED IT HANDICAP CHASE (£3,680: 2m 2f) (3)

1 111U DRUMSTICK 6 (CD,F,G,S) K Bailey 7-11-10 ... N Williamson
2 5-5P ACRE HILL 22 (F,G) N Henderson 9-11-8 ... R Dunwoody
3 -P11 IAMA ZULU 9 (CD,F,G,S) P Hobbs 8-10-4 (5ex) ... M Hourigan

10-11 Drumstick, 5-4 Iama Zulu, 6-1 Acre Hill.

4.50 KITSONS HANDICAP HURDLE
(£2,726: 2m 2f) (5)

1 206- HIGH BARON 183 (CD,F,S) R Alner 6-12-0 ... M Hourigan
2 10-1 PONTOON BRIDGE 25 (D,F,S) G Harwood 6-10-0 ... M Perrett
3 5-15 MUSTAHIL 15 (CD,F) R Hodges 4-10-0 ... R Dunwoody
4 220- MUNKA 184 (S) P Hobbs 7-10-0 ... N Parker (7)
5 3115 TRUST DEED 24 (B,CD,F,G) Mrs A Knight 5-10-0 ... L Harvey

7-4 High Baron, 9-4 Pontoon Bridge, 9-2 Mustahil, 11-2 Munka, 8-1 Trust Deed.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: I Balding, 5 winners from 7 runners, 71.4%; K Bailey, 4 from 8, 50.0%; M Pipe, 94 from 247, 38.1%; Miss H Knight, 5 from 17, 29.4%; P Hobbs, 24 from 103, 23.3%; J King, 5 from 25, 20.0%.
JOCKEYS: R Dunwoody, 14 winners from 70 rides, 20.0%; M Hourigan, 4 from 20, 20.0%; D Leahy, 3 from 16, 18.8%; B Clifford, 5 from 28, 17.9%; J Frost, 19 from 118, 16.1%; W McFarland, 9 from 61, 14.8%.

RESULTS FROM YESTERDAY'S THREE MEETINGS

Newbury
Going: good to soft (soft back straight)

2.05 (7f) 1, Duckey Fuzz (Michael Denaro, 7-1); 2, Teanarco (10-1); 3, Buddy's Friend (20-1); 4, Charmed Knave (20-1). Champagne Grandy 100-30 fav. 23 ran. NR: Lady Broker, Little Rousillon. ½l, nk. R Flower. Tote: £9.00; £2.30, £2.20, £9.50, £13.00. DF: £42.30. Trio: £638.30. CSF: £76.76. Tricast: £1,278.54.

2.40 (2m) 1, Monarda (T Quinn, 5-1); 2, Encore Une Fois (4-1); 3, Sword Master (8-1). Bagalino 5-4 fav. 6 ran. 1l, 3l. P Cole. Tote: £5.70; £1.90, £2.00. DF: £10.90. CSF: £14.79.

3.10 (7f 64yd) 1, TATAMI (M Roberts, 4-1); 2, The Deep (D Holland, 4-1); 3, Erhaab (W Carson, 4-1). ALSO RAN: 3-1 fav Rafferty's Rules (6th), 10 Straight Arrow, Mighty Forum (4th), 12 Serious Option, 20 Bluegrass Prince (5th). 8 ran. Sh hd, 2½l, 1½l, ¾l, 1½l. L Cumani at Newmarket. Tote: £4.30; £1.50, £1.70, £1.80. DF: £7.00. CSF: £19.16.

3.40 (6f 8yd) 1, Branston Abby (M Roberts, 13-2); 2, Echo-Logical (12-1); 3, New Capricorn (6-1 jt-fav). Look Who's Here 6-1 jt-fav. 13 ran. 1¾l, ½l. M Johnston. Tote: £5.60; £2.70, £4.60, £2.20. DF: £94.00. Trio: £137.20. CSF: £75.56. Tricast: £453.35.

4.10 (1m 2f 6yd) 1, Googly (J Reid, 9-1); 2, Embankment (10-1); 3, Wasst Thee Then (14-1). American Swinger 6-1 fav. 15 ran. NR: Scottish Bambi. 3½l, 1l. W Wightman. Tote: £8.90; £2.30, £5.80, £3.80. DF: £114.10. Trio: £927.00. CSF: £93.26. Tricast: £1,163.40.

4.40 (6f 8yd) 1, Cajun Cadet (Pat Eddery, 15-2); 2, Moon Mistress (14-1); 3, Lattam (9-1). Kalkabrino 4-6 fav. 21 ran. NR: South Eastern Fred, Governors Belle. Sh hd, 3l. R Charlton. Tote: £4.80; £2.00, £3.10, £2.60. DF: £27.00. CSF: £110.39.

5.10 (1m 2f 6yd) 1, Fox Sparrow (S Raymont, Evens fav, Thunderer's nap); 2, Bunderburg (20-1); 3, Dill (5-2). 11 ran. NR: Spike, Arrasas Lady. 3l, 2l. R Charlton. Tote: £1.90; £1.40, £2.20, £1.30. DF: £9.10. CSF: £20.60.

5.40 (1m 2f 6yd) 1, Minatina (B Crossley, 6-1); 2, Palace Of Gold (20-1); 3, Fair Shirley (7-1). Hyphenate 3-1 jt-fav. 13 ran. 1½l, 2½l. J Gosden. Tote: £7.20; £2.10, £3.90, £3.00. DF: £236.40. CSF: £108.75.

Jackpot: Not won. (Pool of £2,611.50 carried forward to Newbury today).
Placepot: £2,030.60.

Wincanton
Going: good to firm

2.15 (2m 5f ch) 1, Festival Dreams (P Holley, 7-1); 2, Prince's Court (100-30); 3, Sukaab (7-1). Wanderweg 11-4 jt-fav. 8 ran. 2l, 8l. Mrs P Dutfield. Tote: £6.50; £1.50, £1.50, £1.60. DF: £7.40. CSF: £28.38.

2.50 (2m 6f hdle) 1, Anna Valley (Richard Guest, 15-8 fav); 2, Canal Street (7-1); 3, Kicking Bird (14-1). 16 ran. Nk, 15l. G Balding. Tote: £2.70; £1.30, £2.00, £3.40. DF: £7.00. CSF: £14.79.

3.20 (2m 5f) 1, Panto Prince (S McNeill, 5-1); 2, Young Hustler (13-8); 3, Kings Fountain (5-4 fav). 6 ran. 5l, 6l. C Popham. Tote: £7.60; £2.60, £1.70. DF: £6.10. CSF: £12.87.

3.50 (2m) 1, Auburn Castle (J Osborne, 11-4 fav); 2, Mesnun (4-1); 3, Singers Image (9-1). 12 ran. NR: Fatack. 5l, 3½l. O Sherwood. Tote: £3.60; £1.70, £1.60, £2.40. DF: £8.50. CSF: £14.59.

4.20 (3m 1f 110yd ch) 1, Bonsai Bud (D Gallagher, 12-1); 2, Rathvinden House (Evens fav); 3, Dandy Minstrel (12-1). 7 ran. NR: Furry Knowe. 3l, 15l. D Murray Smith. Tote: £14.80; £4.30, £1.50. DF: £17.60. CSF: £24.72. Tricast: £145.66.

4.50 (2m hdle) 1, El Volador (A Maguire, 9-4 jt-fav); 2, Monday Club (20-1); 3, Va Utu (14-1). Night Wind 9-4 jt-fav. 13 ran. 8l, hd. R O'Sullivan. Tote: £3.30; £1.40, £3.40, £3.40. DF: £60.40. Trio: £331.60. CSF: £45.14. Tricast: £503.51.

5.20 (2m) 1, Haroldon (J Osborne, 8-1); 2, Berlone (7-4 fav); 3, Mulciber (13-2). 12 ran. NR: Buckelight. Nk, 12l. B Palling. Tote: £17.10; £2.90, £1.50, £2.30. DF: £20.60. CSF: £22.40.

Placepot: £11.60.

Pontefract
Going: good to soft

1.55 (6f) 1, Frisky Miss (J Carroll, 11-2); 2, Walsham Whisper (8-1); 3, Kid Ory (14-1). Levathan Mystery 9-4 fav. 14 ran. NR: Souperficial. ½l, ¾l. J Berry. Tote: £3.80; £1.70, £1.50, £4.20. DF: £20.40. CSF: £37.98.

2.25 (6f) 1, Rafter-J (J Quinn, 13-2); 2, Gigue (8-1); 3, McGillycuddy Reeks (9-2 jt-fav). Indian Serenade 9-2 jt-fav. 14 ran. NR: Fairey Firefly. ½l, 6l. Miss J Doyle. Tote: £8.80; £1.70, £2.40, £2.60. DF: £38.40. CSF: £54.74.

3.00 (6f) 1, Strapped (N Adams, 20-1); 2, Bet A Plan (14-1); 3, Plainsong (7-1). Steadfast Elite 7-2 fav. 18 ran. Hd, 2l. M Channon. Tote: £22.90; £9.00, £3.70, £2.80. DF: £318.80. CSF: £259.30.

3.30 (1m 4yd) 1, Barbaroja (W R Swinburn, 3-1); 2, The Flying Phantom (16-1); 3, Alafilok (7-1). Daronne 11-8 fav. 8 ran. 2l, hd. J FitzGerald. Tote: £4.00; £1.30, £2.40, £2.10. DF: £40.10. CSF: £41.42.

4.00 (2m 1f 216yd) 1, World Without End (J Quinn, 11-8 fav); 2, Authorship (8-1); 3, Mingus (12-1). 10 ran. ¾l, 2½l. S Norton. Tote: £2.60; £1.50, £2.00, £2.40. DF: £8.80. Trio: £27.60. CSF: £12.96. Tricast: £91.35.

4.30 (1m 4yd) 1, Be Exciting (T Williams, 16-1); 2, Mister Beat (7-1 jt-fav); 3, Memorable (9-1); 4, Bang In Trouble (12-1). Double Sixteen 7-1 jt-fav. 22 ran. 1½l, 1l. J Dunlop. Tote: £19.00; £4.80, £1.80, £3.40, £5.00. DF: £61.40. Trio: £144.30. CSF: £125.40. Tricast: £1,015.17.

5.00 (5f) 1, Love Legend (A Munro, 12-1); 2, Choir Practice (7-1); 3, Saddlehome (8-1); 4, Victoria Hall (10-1). Magic Pearl 11-2 fav. 17 ran. NR: Fangio. Hd, 2l. D Arbuthnot. Tote: £14.50; £2.50, £1.60, £1.90, £2.30. DF: £42.80. Trio: £315.60. CSF: £87.48. Tricast: £735.01.

5.30 (1m 2f 6yd) 1, Surrey Dancer (S Copp, 9-1); 2, Santana Lady (12-1); 3, Ground Nut (11-2); 4, Myelv (8-1). El Nido 7-2 fav. 19 ran. 2½l, ½l. Mrs M Reveley. Tote: £8.70; £2.00, £5.30, £1.60, £2.70. DF: £36.70. Trio: £257.40. CSF: £124.59. Tricast: £627.27.

Placepot: £652.50.

10.00 Nick Abbot 2.00-6.00am Sandy Beach

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Kristofferson heads for the Caribbean in search of his missing daughter (821897)

(1943): Song and dance starring Gene Kelly and Frank Sinatra as sailors on shore leave

Home shopping channel

Rising from the rank and file in Brighton



FREUD ON FRIDAY

Come all ye patriots and prepare to rejoice. Bake a small cake. Light medium-sized candles. Sing "Rule Britannia" in a minor key, consider unfurling the Union Jack.

Last Monday the country's best woman tennis player occupied 104th place in the world rankings. Now we have her at number 84 (to be confirmed) and the only obstacles that impede her advance to the position once held by Christine Truman, Ann Jones and Virginia Wade are the superior skills of 24 Americans, seven Germans, five Frenchwomen, four Dutch and four Argentinians, three each who are Italian, Czech, Russian and Japanese, a brace from Austria, Bulgaria, Switzerland, Canada, Belgium, Spain and Romania and one apiece from Indonesia, Georgia, Latvia, Slovakia, Yugoslavia, Peru, Croatia, Ukraine, Mexico, Australia, Belorus, Taipei and Kazakhstan.

The reason for this British advance at the unfashionable end of the Virginia Slims order of merit is the performance of Clare Wood, of Sussex, at the Autoglass Classic in Brighton.

We had five competitors in the first round. Four of them lost: lost well, lost with honour, lost holding their heads up high ... but sadly only Miss Wood made it to the last 16, and by beating Miss Frazier in straight sets made her second and best appearance to date in the top 100, at 92. Then, yesterday, she won again: beat the seeded Meskhi 6-3, 7-6, climbed another eight places.

The Autoglass Classic has its pluses and minuses: Steffi Graf was the tournament's asset. She won it six times out of the last seven but this time pulled out.

On the debit side, the "classic" takes place in the Brighton Conference Centre, where the humdrum atmosphere is further dampened by the absence of the Wimbledon champion, the non-existence of a home-bred contender of whom anyone has heard, and the presence of a crowd of atheists, Frenchmen and old age pensioners, many of whom look as if they have overdosed on Horlicks.

In its time the south coast resort's largest arena has been the scene of high drama: political assemblies, revivalist meetings, convocations of bird fanciers.

Now, on the floor on which Heseltine stamped and Billy Graham stood with arms aloft — that same floor on which thousands of pigeons left their messages — have been laid two hard tennis courts, though for the quarters, semis and final there will be but one.

Up to 4,000 citizens could be accommodated in the tiered, dismountable grandstands to witness what the promoters will call "ladies' tennis". In my book, those playing tennis were women. The authorising body is properly called Women's Tennis Council.

To enjoy two games played simultaneously on adjacent, open courts requires a closer relationship with contestants than I was able to summon. One can understand mothers, sisters and lovers coming to watch, but it is terminally distracting to hear the left-hand court umpire call "out" when our girl in the right-hand court served an ace, to hear applause when the game on which one is concentrating demands groans.

But you cannot be raised on a diet of wall-to-wall Wimbledon and this is how the players advance in their profession: success in provincial, second division tournaments is what qualifies them for inclusion in the multi-million dollar contests complete with television, back-stabbing and Byzantine start times to suit transatlantic viewers.

I watch a woman whose name I cannot pronounce play one of whom I have not heard. From the seat behind me, our leading player's hyperactive doubles partner takes to kicking the back of mine — which persuades me to adjourn to the press centre for tea and biscuits and a game of chess. I win the toss, choose white, lose — but receive a complimentary luncheon ticket from the kindly sponsors.

The restaurant to which I am led turns out to be the very room in which I recently made a speech. I remember its banana shape and the "mixed" audience of 234 men and one woman.

Then I had soup and meat and pudding. Now it is a self-service buffet and if you are a player you can sit in the top tier that overlooks the sea. Hacks are placed at the tables below, given orangeade possibly made from crystals. For lunch I chose the contents of the second chafing dish from the left.

What is it? Goujons.

What sort of goujons? You know, goujons.

Ann Jones is the tournament referee. Ann Jones who won Wimbledon bravely in 1969.

I ask her about the future of our new No 1.

Wood is 25, strong, hits the ball hard, is very fit as a result of having a new trainer who runs her up hills and down dales. Jones is not sure that Wood has the tactical skill ...

She makes her sound less "prodigy" than "hewer of wood and drawer of water"; descent down the slippery totem-pole of rankings cannot be ruled out. Better make it a fruit cake — which keeps.

Resilient Wood moves into quarter-finals

BY STUART JONES, TENNIS CORRESPONDENT

CLARE Wood continues to scale heights which for her are unprecedented and for British tennis are heady and rare. The 25-year-old defeated Leila Meskhi in straight sets yesterday evening to reach the quarter-final of the indoor tournament at Brighton and a provisional ranking of 84 in the world.

At the start of the year she was 175th. Now she is indisputably the nation's leading player, man or woman, but she regards her recent progress as gradual rather than explosive. "It is not a breakthrough," she said, "but the start of a breakthrough."

She is competing on the south coast with a couple of convenient benefits. She has not only been able to prepare on local courts at Withdean and stay at home, but she is also in a field so depleted that it features none of the top seven women in the world.

Nevertheless, she has put the advantages to good use. She knocked out Amy Frazier, an American-ranked some 50 places higher than her, in the first round before beating a Georgian opponent who was supposed to be even more superior. In a minute short of two hours, Wood won 6-3, 7-6.

Meskhi, also 25, was at her peak in 1991. She was then ranked twelfth in the world. She has not won a tournament since. But, with a game based on persistence rather than power, she remains capable of competing with, if not beating, the best.

She has so far been knocked out of events this year by opponents of the quality of Steffi Graf, Arantxa Sánchez Vicario, Gabriela Sabatini and Mary Joe Fernandez. Wood, in two previous meetings against Meskhi on hard courts, had lost them both. She was determined not to do so again.

She broke immediately, protected her lead and, at 5-2, held a point to win the first set. The ensuing rallies were so protracted that Meskhi, once she had won the game, was convinced that the time had come for a changeover. Only after sitting down did she realise that it was not.

After becoming the lone Briton to reach the second round of the US Open, Wood returned to Sussex "to take stock of where I was going and what I was doing". Far from resting, she trained assiduously with Nigel Sears and her fitness was to be one of the decisive factors in a lengthy second set. "I was on a roll in the first set and then she started missing less in the second. There were long rallies which were physically exhausting for the both of us so it is just as well that I did all that work with Nigel. It has been a long summer and I needed to get home. Obviously, that has now paid off."

Wood again broke immediately and established a 3-0 lead before faltering and being caught. "I had to run my legs off," she said. "Having let that lead slip, I was determined to close it out in straight sets." So she did, but not without inducing an air of tension.

Serving at 4-3, she was broken to love. Serving at 6-5, she failed once more. On her first match point in the tie-break, she served a double fault. During these lapses, even the moribund atmosphere within the cavernous arena was stirred.

Asked whether she sensed that she had woken up the crowd, she responded: "Is that possible?" Seated among the spectators was her father and her sister, accompanied by her two young daughters. One of them, Rachel, chose to join Wood during her press conference. "The girls were making more noise than the rest put together," she said.

Wood conceded that in the past she might not have demonstrated the necessary belief to survive in such trying circumstances. Assisted by the support of her family, she went through to the last eight where she will probably meet Mary Pierce, the third seed, but she showed no concern about the daunting prospect.

Before returning home, Wood recalled that she had beaten Pierce a few years ago. The other quarter-finals will feature Jana Novotna, the top seed, against Elna Reinach, Katerina Maleeva against Patty Fendick and Christina Singer against either Anke Huber, the second seed, or Irina Spirlea.

Second round: E Reinach (SA) bt M Bollegraf (Holl), 6-7, 6-1, 7-6; P Fendick (US) bt N Medvedeva (Ukr), 6-3, 6-3; C Wood (GB) bt L Meskhi (Geo), 6-3, 7-6

IAN STEWART



Reinach, of South Africa, on her way to beating Bollegraf, of Holland, in three sets in Brighton yesterday

Midlands recall prop Pearce

BY DAVID HANDS, RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

ENGLAND'S divisions cannot rid themselves of their 37-year-old props: Jeff Probyn, having launched his autobiography this week, appears in London's colours against New Zealand in the opening match of their tour at Twickenham tomorrow and, next Tuesday, Gary Pearce will take the field against the All Blacks at Leicester on behalf of the Midlands.

Pearce is older by a month than Probyn, who became England's most-capped prop against Ireland last season when he passed Pearce's record of 36 appearances. The last of Pearce's England games was in 1991, against the United States during the World Cup, and he must have believed his representative days were past, but the Midlands selectors, disappointed that they were so badly outplayed by the South-West last weekend, have recalled Pearce for what they admit is a one-night stand.

"We must have stability in the scrummaging, so we have gone for Gary," Stan Purdy, their chairman, said yesterday. Nevertheless, Darren Garforth, the Leicester and England A tight-head, who is demoted, will return when Midlands play London on October 30. All in all, it is a curious decision that seems not to take account of the complete disruption of Midlands' back-five forwards before last Saturday's game at Bath.

Injury and illness having been overcome — save in the case of Martin Bayfield, whose neck and shoulder damage precluded him from selection and threatens his place in the England side next month — Midlands restore the Leicester flankers, Neil Back and John Wells, and Martin Johnson to their team. Given Bayfield's injury, the England selectors will be anxious to see Johnson playing well since he, too, has been affected by a shoulder problem.

Simon Hodgkinson, who suffered a groin strain against the South-West, will start the match as first-choice goal-kicker rather than Paul Challinor in a side that can reasonably suppose it will meet the All Blacks who do not appear in tomorrow's match.

There was more bad news for the England selectors yesterday: Jerry Guscott and Dewi Morris withdrew from the divisional match between South-West and North at Gloucester tomorrow. Guscott's groin strain is still tender and Mike Catt is his likely replacement in the South-West centre, while the dependable Dave Scully will play scrum half for North instead of Morris, who still has a sore shoulder.



Pearce: experienced

MIDLANDS (v New Zealand): S Hodgkinson (Moseley); S Hackney (Leicester), S Potter (Leicester), I Bates (Leicester), H Thomeycroft (Northampton), P Challinor (Harlequins), M Dawson (Northampton), G Rowntree (Leicester), J Olver (Northampton), G Pearce (Northampton), J Wells (Leicester), M Johnson (Leicester), S Lloyd (Moseley), N Back (Leicester), D Richards (Leicester, captain). Replacements: J Harris (Leicester), F Packman (Northampton), A Kardooni (Leicester), G Baldwin (Northampton), R Cockerill (Leicester), I Skanaley (Bedford)

Ginter blows hot in mistral

FROM PATRICIA DAVIES IN SAINTE MAXIME

A MODEST version of the mistral, that notorious southern wind, whipped down from the Massif des Maures yesterday to send the scoring soaring in the first round of the Var French Open, being played on two courses, Sainte Maxime and Saint Endreol, on the Riviera.

With gusts of up to 45 miles per hour, it was a day for the tidy, straight-down-the-middle merchants, for people well practised at keeping their frustrations in check and Susan Ginter, an American from Wisconsin, managed it best of all. In her first outing on the women's European Tour, she surprised herself — and everybody else — by returning a round of 72, level par, at Sainte Maxime, by general consent the more difficult of the courses.

Ginter, a 27-year old graduate of the University of Texas now living in Orlando, is on a reconnaissance trip, to see the beauties of Provence and to assess the Tour, with a view to playing in Europe next year. The wind took her by surprise and she was three over par after a double bogey at the 11th, where she had to play too many shots from the sloping lies that abound here.

Birdies at the 12th, 15th and 18th improved matters as she wielded what she called her cleek, a metal four-wood, to good effect, particularly at the last. It is a par three of roughly 160 yards, all uphill — and they know how to build hills in these parts — and Ginter hit the cleek to 15 feet and holed the putt.

Of the quintet on 73, pride of place must go to Gillian Stewart, of Scotland, at the age of 35 a past mistress of the percentage game. It was her birthday, she revealed, with a certain lack of relish, but it was not simply sympathy that elevated her above Karina Orum, of Denmark, Jane Hill, of Zimbabwe, and the English duo of Lora Fairclough and Caroline Hall.

Stewart was playing at Saint Endreol, where the par is 73, while the other four were one over par at Sainte Maxime. "I only missed three greens," the Scot said.

At the other end of the age scale, Hall, who will not be 20 until next month, reckons she is already a much better player than the nerveless young woman who hit the winning shot to the 18th green in the match that decided the Curtis Cup at Hoylake last year. "I'm steadier now," she said, "and I'm more mellow, more relaxed."

Suzanne Strudwick, the defending champion, was not at her most mellow after a round of 81, eight over par, at St Endreol. And she did not relish the news that more, meaner, mistral was forecast for today.



Strudwick: bad start

FIRST-ROUND LEADERS (GB and Ire unless stated) Ste Maxime: 72: S Ginter (US) 73: J Hill (Zim), C Hall, K Oru (Den), L Fairclough 75: C Soulor (Fr), S Robinson, J Forbes, 78: M Spencer-Devlin (US) 77: D Reid, D Roux (Fr), S Elliott 78: D Pattinson (US), S Prosser, C Dibnah (Aus), A Sharpcott. St Endreol: 73: G Stewart 74: S Nichin, 75: D Patrizzi (US), B Nine, I Maconi (It), C Nilsmark (Swe), K Espanson (Fr), 76: W Dicks, R Hori 77: S Van Wyk (SA) 78: H Dobson, V Michaud (Fr), M Wright, F Dassu (It)

SPORT IN BRIEF

Higgins maintains impressive form

JOHN Higgins, overshadowed in recent weeks by the exploits of his fellow teenager, Ronnie O'Sullivan, advanced to the last 16 of the £325,000 Skoda snooker grand prix with a 5-3 victory over Nigel Bond, the world No 9, in Reading yesterday. Higgins, 18, maintained the form he showed in the previous round, when he had a 139 total clearance in beating Joe Johnson, the 1986 world champion, 5-3. Against Bond, he failed to compile a century, but eight breaks of over 30 emphasised his consistency.

John Parrott, the world No 2, meets Higgins in the next round. Parrott trailed Steve Duggan, a Yorkshireman ranked 94 places below him, 4-3 and by 33 points in the eighth frame. However, Duggan missed a straightforward red, Parrott levelled and then constructed a timely break of 60 to complete a 5-4 success. Mark Flowerdew, the world No 166, followed up his surprise first-round win over Joe Swail by beating David Roe, the sixteenth seed, 5-4.

Schwer on title course

BOXING: Billy Schwer, the Luton lightweight, could be challenging for the World Boxing Organisation title in London in the new year (Srikumar Sen writes). Mickey Duff, Schwer's manager, will be able to make Giovanni Parisi, the champion, a big enough offer to leave Italy. Duff said yesterday that the Italian would find it difficult to turn down his offer of £200,000, which it has been possible to make because of a big fee from the BBC. Duff said: "I don't think Parisi's ever had a £200,000 offer. That in itself must have some sway."

Schwer has first to reclaim his British and Commonwealth title from Paul Burke, of Preston, at Watford on November 10. Burke took Schwer's titles by stopping him on cuts in seven rounds last February at Wembley.

Angel strikes form

CRICKET: Jo Angel reinforced his case for inclusion in the Australian Test team yesterday by dominating the New Zealand batting line-up as the touring side made an unimpressive start to its four-day match against Western Australia in Perth. Angel took five wickets for the loss of 32 runs off 20.1 overs as New Zealand collapsed to 149 all out after being put into bat by Geoff Marsh.

☐ The medium-pace bowler, Tony Pigott, 35, is set to join Surrey on a two-year contract subject to medical tests. Pigott was with Sussex for 16 years.

Law out in first round

YACHTING: Chris Law, of Great Britain, was the only seeded skipper to be eliminated in the opening round of the Omega Gold Cup in Hamilton, Bermuda, yesterday. Law was beaten by Marcus Weiser, of Germany, who takes on Ed Baird, of the United States, in the quarter-final. Eddie Warden-Owen, a member of the Britain America's Cup team, meets Peter Gilmour, of Australia, who is ranked No 2 in the world, in the quarter-final. Gilmour beat Peter Bromby by one second in the most exciting of the first-round matches, which were sailed in ideal conditions.

Ponting plans return

BADMINTON: Nick Ponting, sent home with flu after the 4-1 defeat at Milton Keynes on Wednesday that put England 2-0 down against China, hopes to be fit for the last of the six-match series at Southampton on Tuesday. Ponting missed the third match at Lancaster yesterday after an uphill struggle the night before, against illness and the young mixed-doubles combination of Liang Qing and Peng Yun. He and Gill Clark, winners of a bronze medal at the world championships in Birmingham in June, recovered from 7-13 to 13-13 in the final game but still went down 9-15, 17-15, 13-18.

Favourites struggle

BOWLS: It was not a good day for the favourites in the Atlantic Rim outdoor championships at Sun City Center in Florida yesterday. Norma Shaw, of England, lost to Rita Jones, of Wales, in the singles, Jones in turn lost to Phil Nolan, of Ireland, the British champion, and Nolan was surprisingly defeated by Pam Cole, of Spain. All three were previously unbeaten. Nolan, who played superbly to beat Jones, led Cole 21-16, but was overhauled by the ex-pat from Beaulieu in Hampshire, who has been playing bowls for less than four years.

Thomson takes lead

EQUESTRIANISM: Mary Thomson, with the seven-year-old King Basil, was the overall leader in the opening stages of the three-day event at Le Lion d'Angers yesterday. Thomson, who scored 53.8 points on the first dressage test after an extremely well-balanced display, led the powerful British contingent, most of whom are giving end of season experience to younger horses. Karen Dixon, with Too Smart, and Jemima Johnson, with Twelve Bore, scored 59.2 and 58.2 respectively, although a moment's over-exuberance from Too Smart lost Dixon vital marks.

Famous names play

SCHOOLS SPORT: The sons of two famous rugby players will be hoping to follow the parental lead when they take part in the seventh rugby festival staged at St Joseph's College in Ipswich this weekend. John-Rhys Bevan is captain of Arnold, who are also coached by his father, John Bevan, the former Wales and British Isles stand-off half, while Owen Edwards, the son of Gareth Edwards, the former international scrum half, is in the Millfield squad. The tournament favourites are Bradford Grammar School, who are chasing a third successive victory and a fourth in all.

WORD-WATCHING

Answers from page 48

SARDONICAN

(b) A spurious word, in error for *Sardonian*, used first by Homer, and others after him, to describe laughter that conceals some noxious design. Richardson misquoted this as *Sardonican* in 1837, and thereafter the epithet of Schadenfreude got into some dictionaries and encyclopedias.

VISCUS

(b) One or other of the soft internal organs of the body, from the Latin, more usual in the plural as *viscera*: "It passes next behind the liver, through the great sinus of that viscus."

CASSIE

(a) A kind of basket made of straw, used in Orkney and Caithness, from the Icelandic *kassi* a case, large box, creel; *The Times*, 1880: "A peculiar basket made of plaited straw, and called a cassie. The cassie is strapped to the shoulders in such a way as to leave the hands free."

CONEPATL

(c) An American skunk, genus *Conepatus*, the native Mexican name, from *cone-* child, prefixed to the names of animals = young, little + *epatl* fox; Goldsmith's *Natural History*, 1774: "Two varieties more of this animal [the skunk], which Mr Buffon calls the conepatl and the zorille."

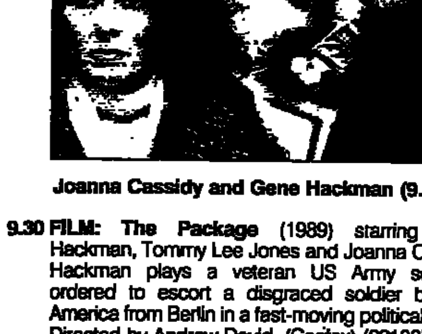
SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE

White forces a perpetual check draw with 1 Rh7! Rxh7 2 Qxh7+ Kf8 3 Qh8+.

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BBC1

6.00 Business Breakfast (79613)
7.00 Breakfast News with Tanya Sillem and Justin Webb (61143280)
9.05 Kilroy. Topical studio discussion (s) (6876174)
9.45 Newshound. Current affairs quiz (s)
10.00 News (Ceefax) regional news and weather (4209829) **10.05 Playdays** with Zoe Ball (s) (7931667)
10.30 Good Morning . . . with Anne and Nick. Weekday magazine series with Anne Diamond and Nick Owen (87846938)
12.15 Pebble Mill. Actor William Roache, *Coronation Street*'s Ken Barlow, is Judi Spiers' guest (s) (3043209) **12.55 Regional News** and weather (23522377)
1.00 One O'Clock News (Ceefax) and weather (13984)
1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (s) (66818174) **1.50 Going For Gold.** Quiz with the multi-faceted Henry Kelly (66812990)
2.15 The Flying Doctors. (s) (9273919)
3.00 Making Tracks. Features journeys to Austria, South Africa, and the Lake District (8758349)
3.25 Popeye Triple Bill (8360984) **3.45 Dooby Duck's Euro Tour** (r) (s) (1640087) **3.50 Philbert the Frog** (2396377) **3.55 Superbods** (s) (4067700) **4.10 The Animals of Farthing Wood** (r) (s) (3528648) **4.35 Take Two.** Return of the series that covers the media. Andi Peters looks at the future of children's television (s) (6831174)
5.00 Newsround (2783025) **5.10 Byker Grove.** (Ceefax) (1759358)
5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s) (363735)
6.00 Six O'Clock News with Peter Sissons and Moira Stuart. (Ceefax) Weather (975)
6.30 Regional News Magazines (377)
7.00 Every Second Counts. (s) (2416)
7.30 Tomorrow's World. The boom in exotic holidays has exposed Westerners to the world's biggest killer malaria. Howard Stableford reports from Vietnam where a new drug has been developed from a traditional herbal cure used in a Saigon children's hospital. (Ceefax) (s) (261)
8.00 Bruce Forsyth's Generation Game. (Ceefax) (s) (2629)
9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis. (Ceefax) Weather (3087)

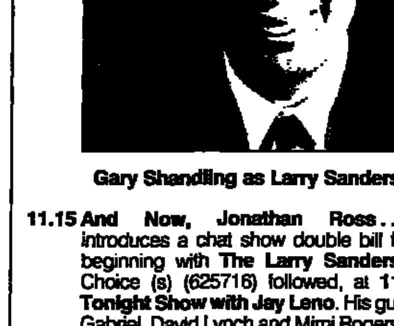


Joanna Cassidy and Gene Hackman (9.30pm)

9.30 FILM: The Package (1989) starring Gene Hackman, Tommy Lee Jones and Joanna Cassidy. Hackman plays a veteran US Army sergeant ordered to escort a disgraced soldier back to America from Berlin in a fast-moving political thriller. Directed by Andrew David. (Ceefax) (621087)
11.10 International Golf. Highlights of the day's play in the quarter-finals of the World Matchplay from Wentworth (119716)
11.50 FILM: Blood of the Vampire (1958) starring Donald Wolfit, John Le Mesurier and Bernard Bresslaw. Wolfit plays a vampire who becomes a doctor at a hospital for the criminally-insane. Directed by Henry Cass. (236532)
1.20am FILM: I Don't Want To Be Born (1976) starring Donald Pleasance, Eileen Atkins and a pre-Alexis Joan Collins who plays a former stripper who gives birth to a homicidal baby after offending a dwarf. Directed by Peter Sasdy (s) (5316410)
2.50 Weather (8025439)

BBC2

8.00 Breakfast News (9387342)
8.15 Westminster Yesterday's proceedings in Parliament (6425934)
9.00 Daytime on Two. Educational programmes. Plus, for children, **1.20 Fingermouse** (83108613) **1.35 Dilly the Dinosaur** (78998483)
2.00 News (Ceefax) and weather
2.05 Words and Pictures (s) (61346342)
2.15 Sport On Friday. The programme features action from the quarter-finals of the World Matchplay Championship at Wentworth and the 2.40, 3.10 and 3.40 races from Newbury (38197193)
5.30 Top Gear. A review of the London Motor Show. (r) (s) (754)
6.00 Captain Scarlet and the Mysterons. Spectrum is on the trail of Captain Black after a suspected security lapse at an atomic centre. (Ceefax)
6.25 The Man From UNCLE. UNCLE uncovers a plot to brainwash a politician's wife. (Ceefax) (727261)
7.15 The Living Soap. See Choice (s) (375209)
7.45 What the Papers Say. *The Independent*'s Mark Lawson reviews the week's papers (646648)
8.00 Public Eye: Cautionary Tales. A report on the attitudes of offenders and victims to police giving only formal warnings to criminals (4358)
8.30 An Englishwoman's Garden. See Choice (Ceefax) (s) (6193)
9.00 The Look. A look at the role of fabric in fashion, from the hi-tech work of futurist designer Issey Miyake to the colourful silk prints of Gianni Versace and Christian Lacroix (r) (s) (638445)
9.50 Animated Arias. Enrico Pascanini invites you to his imaginary opera house to hear two more of his favourites pieces: "Le Veau d'Or" from Gounod's *Faust*, sung by Nicolai Ghiaurov and directed by Hilary Audus, and "E luceven le stelle" from Puccini's *Tosca*, directed by Joe Abel. (Ceefax) (s) (348193)
10.00 KYTV. In the last programme in this series, spoof satellite station presenters Mike Flex and Anna Daptor test resorts as far afield as Samarkand, Barbados and Tuscany. Mike Channel spends two weeks sitting on a filthy toilet on a caravan site. (74990)
10.30 Newsnight with Jeremy Paxman (Ceefax) (983613)

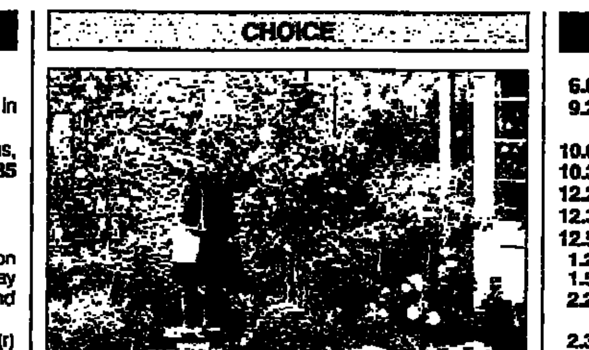


Gary Shandling as Larry Sanders (11.15pm)

11.15 And Now, Jonathan Ross . . . Jonathan introduces a chat show double bill from America, beginning with **The Larry Sanders Show.** See Choice (s) (625716) followed, at **11.45**, by **The Tonight Show with Jay Leno.** His guests are Peter Gabriel, David Lynch and Mimi Rogers. (s) (572261)
12.40am Weather (8693033)
12.45am FILM: The Bank Dick (1940, b/w). W.C. Fields is in fine form as he captures a bank robber by accident. The film has several classic sequences. (3246255) Ends at **2.00am**

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CHOICE



Rosemary Verey's glorious creation (BBC2, 8.30pm)

An Englishwoman's Garden
BBC2, 8.30pm

Featured tonight are two determined and talented ladies who have become this country's most influential garden writers and designers. Since one, Penelope Hobhouse, is in her *60s*, and the other Rosemary Verey, is a decade older, the amount of work they still manage to get through is quite phenomenal. But even Rosemary has reservations when she's asked to help with a rock garden at Sandringham. They talk much commonsense about shape, texture and foliage and one – Penelope, I think, since it's hard to tell them apart – is scornful of publishers who sign up "La-di-da ladies who have what they think is good taste". They are a delightful pair with all the credentials to justify the title of the programme, *The Professionals*. Their own gardens are, of course, a delight and attract thousands of visitors each year.

Plant Life: The Living Soil.
Channel 4, 9.00pm

Garden programmes spring up on television as prolifically as the weeds in my garden. This is the first of an eight-part series, ungimmicky in approach, which promises a perfectly straightforward explanation of how plants grow and, more importantly, why they prefer certain soil conditions. *The Living Soil* employs the staff and students of an agricultural college, seen throughout the series, to give the historical background to 450 million years of plant life. We discover how best to improve our patches with composts and manures and the role played by the earthworm. Did you know, for example, that on an acre of land worms shift 10 tons of soil through their bodies each year?

The Larry Sanders Show
BBC2 11.15pm (Scotland, 12.05am)

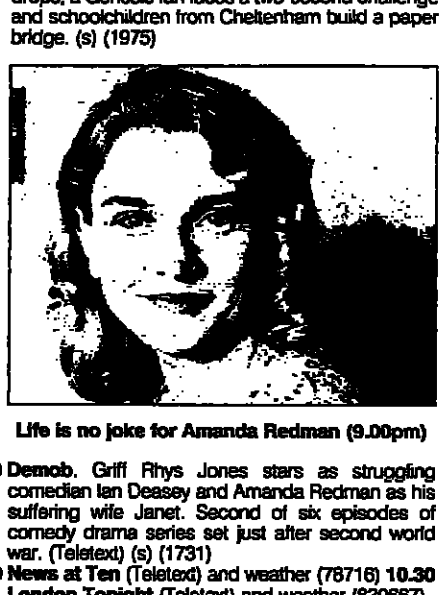
Here's a new American comedy import that should be required viewing over the weeks to come. Gary Shandling is no stranger to British audiences having once played the eponymous host of a comedy series. But here he moves up a gear as a late-night talk show host who is suddenly required to do a live commercial for a garden tool. But he cannot help turning it into a comedy spot, antagonising the sponsor. Shandling himself is very funny, the language is uninhibited and there is a strong supporting cast with Rip Torn as the show's producer and Jeffrey Tambor playing Hank, Larry's sidekick. Watch out, too, for Larry's mixed up leaping dog. Backstage chat show politics are handled with a sure touch and hilarious results.

The Living Soap
BBC2 7.15pm

Vidya, otherwise known as Spider, is all set to study the social scene tonight as this year-long fly-on-the-wall series about six students living in Manchester gets into its stride. The three girls, Spider, Karen and Emma, on a night out together, seem to take the attention of the television cameras in their stride; nor are the three lads greatly concerned as, beer in hand, they glue themselves to the television to watch soccer. The washing up, begun last week, remains neglected in the kitchen. Nor has the rubbish been cleared – it is to be hoped domestic chores will be kept firmly in the background as the story unfolds. **Kenneth Gosling**

ITV LONDON

6.00 GMTV (6530938)
9.25 Supermarket Sweep (s) (5274087) **9.55 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (7917087)
10.00 The Time . . . The Place . . . (s) (1992396)
10.35 This Morning. Weekday magazine. (87830377)
12.20 London Today (Teletext) and weather (2018087)
12.30 News (Teletext) and weather (4162735)
12.55 Coronation Street. (Teletext) (4170754)
1.25 Home and Away. (Teletext) (32322087)
1.55 A Country Practice. (s) (66813629)
2.20 News and weather (66269936) **2.25 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (63085437)
2.30 Capital Woman. Shyama Perera learns how UK immigration law condemns some women to a life of domestic violence (s) (464)
3.00 Take the High Road. (3483)
3.30 Alphabet Castle (s) (4162209) **3.40 Tots TV** (s) (1650464) **3.50 Scooby Doo** (r) (1656648) **4.00 Astro Farm** (Teletext) (s) (2930071) **4.15 The Legends of Treasure Island.** (s) (3512087) **4.40 Knightmare.** (s) (8491280)
5.10 Home and Away (r). (Teletext) (1219209)
5.40 Early Evening News (Teletext) and weather (980551)
6.00 London Tonight. The guests include Miriam Margolyes and Bitty McLean. (Teletext) and weather (21342)
7.00 Family Fortunes. The Stewart family from Essex take on the Wind family from South Wales for cash and prizes and the £3,000 jackpot. Les Dennis is the host (s) (5464)
7.30 Coronation Street. Joe and Hazel vie for Sally's affections. Kevin doesn't know he is about to be drawn into the drama (Teletext) (629)
8.00 You Bet! More challenges from Matthew Kelly. *Firefighters from Kent try to break the record for pole* drops, a Genesis fan faces a two-second challenge and schoolchildren from Cheltenham build a paper bridge. (s) (1975)



Life is no joke for Amanda Redman (9.00pm)

9.00 Demob. Griff Rhys Jones stars as struggling comedian Ian Deasey and Amanda Redman as his suffering wife Janet. Second of six episodes of comedy drama series set just after second world war. (Teletext) (s) (1731)
10.00 News at Ten (Teletext) and weather (78716) **10.30 London Tonight** (Teletext) and weather (830667)
10.40 The London Programme. Trevor Phillips goes behind the scenes at Wimbledon FC (305280)
11.10 Tour Of Duty: Blood Brothers (r). Retired major-general Goldman is on a fact-finding mission for Washington brass (223358)
12.05am Dial Midnight. Live TV phone-in with comedy and music (s) (1355014)
1.05 The ITV Chart Show. Video chart show (s) (6809755)
2.05 Whale On . . . More entertainment with James Whale (2647526) followed by **Get Stuffed** and **News Headlines**
3.10 TXT Rhona Cameron hosts a chat show which mixes celebrities and music (7882472)
4.15 Cinema, Cinema, Cinema. Previews of *Fearless*, starring Jeff Bridges, and *Freaked*, starring Randy Quaid. The programme goes behind the scenes with the *Beverly Hillbillies*. (4973472)
5.00 Riviera. European soap (55502)
5.30 ITN Morning News (36435)

CHANNEL 4

6.30 Jayce and the Wheeled Warriors. (85613)
7.00 The Big Breakfast (12385)
9.00 You Bet Your Life (r). (s) (88193)
9.30 Schools (463261)
12.00 House To House Maya Even interviews politicians and assesses the day's events (75629)
12.30 Sesame Street. (94193)
1.30 The Bluffers (r) (16464)
2.00 FILM: The Bitter Tea Of General Yen (1932, b/w) starring Barbara Stanwyck as an American missionary in a romantic melodrama set in Shanghai. Directed by Frank Capra (492445)
3.35 FILM: Loco Boy Makes Good (1941, b/w) starring the Three Stooges. Directed by Jules White. (5233236)
3.55 Eat Up An examination of the links between what a mother eats during pregnancy and the health of her child after birth (r). (s) (4783648)
4.30 Fifteen-To-One. Survival of the quickest general knowledge quiz with William G. Stewart. (Teletext) (s) (342)
5.00 Cutting Edge: Cries of Alarm (r) (Teletext)(2377)
6.00 Hangin' With Mr Cooper: Valentine Day's Massacre. American comedy series in which Robin and Vanessa win dream dates to appear on a TV quiz show, but Mark has to spend the day alone. (Teletext) (s) (735)
6.30 Happy Days: Who Gives A Hootenanny. American comedy series set in the Fifties. Fonzie explodes when he finds out Arnold has replaced the rock'n'roll records from the jukebox with folk music. Chachi and Joanie make their big TV debut as a folk duo on the programme, *Hootnite*. (777)
7.00 Channel 4 News with Jon Snow. (Teletext) Weather (382532)
7.50 First Reaction. Richard Ingrams on the attractions of the older man (900358)
8.00 Class Action Includes news of a prison education scheme in which long-term inmates work with children with disabiloties. (Teletext) (2754)
8.30 Brookside. Terry is taken with his new assistant Jimmy invests in Brian's deal while Charles talks himself into trouble (Teletext) (s) (1261)



Pondering the secrets of the soil (9.00pm)

9.00 Plant Life. (Teletext) See Choice (9025)
9.30 Cheers Comedy series set in Boston bar. Sam's reputation as a ladies' man takes a knock when reporter Paula Nelson visits the bar to investigate the singles scene and is turned off by his smugness(r) (Teletext) (43759)
10.00 Nurses US comedy in which Jack gets his comeuppance when he lies about a lost wedding ring (Teletext) (s) (76358)
10.30 Clive Anderson Talks Back. Ian Hislop, Robbie Coltrane and Ken Livingstone, MP, are the guests of the quipping barrister (s) (716759)
11.10 Eurotrash. Antoine de Caunes and Jean Paul Gaultier examine unusual aspects of European culture (203629)
11.45 FILM: Slacker (1992) starring Rudy Basquez. Contender for the most boring film of the year. Low-budget, low-interest account of the lives of 100 bohemian dropouts in Austin, Texas. Directed by Richard Linklater (s) (910803)
1.40am Trash Talk. Another showing of yesterday's programme about US football (5715965). Ends at2.10

RADIO 1

FM Stereo and **MW. 4.00am** Bruno Brookes with the Early Breakfast Show (**FM** only) **6.00** Mark Goodier **9.00** Simon Bates **12.30pm** Newsbeat **12.45** Jakki Brambles **3.00** Steve Wright in the Afternoon **6.00** News '93 **6.30** Pete Tong's Essential Selection **9.00** Friday Rock Show with Claire Sturgess **11.00** John Peel (**FM** only from **12.00**) **2.00-4.00am** Lynn Parsons (**FM** only)

RADIO 2

FM Stereo. **5.00am** Martin Kelner with the Early Show **6.15** Pause for Thought **7.05** Sarah Kennedy **9.15** Pause for Thought **9.30** Ken Bruce **11.30** Jimmy Young **2.00pm** Gloria Hunniford **3.30** Ed Stewart **5.05** John Dunn **7.00** Maestro **7.30** Friday Night is Music Night **8.45** Brian Lemon at the piano **9.00** Listen to the Band **10.00** Radio 2 Arts Programme: Writearound 93, Cleveland's annual literary festival **12.05am** Digby Fairweather **1.00-4.00** Charles Nove

RADIO 5

6.00am World Service **6.30** Danny Baker's Morning Edition **9.00** For Schools: Primary Geography: Castries, St Lucia; **9.15** Playtime; **9.30** Music Box; **9.45** Something to Think About: Infant Assemblies; **10.00** Music Workshop. Music Course 3; **10.25** Johnnie Walker **12.30pm** Room 101 **1.00** News Update **1.10** BFBS Worldwide **2.30** Sportsbeat: including golf from Wentworth **4.30** Five Aside **6.30** Starting Out with Terry **7.15** The Voyage of Outdoing, by Susan Kass **7.30** Popcall **8.30** Euromix **9.30** Hair in the Gate **10.10** Rave **12.00-12.10am** News; Sport

WORLD SERVICE

All times in BST. **5.30am** BBC English **5.45** News In German **6.00** Morgenmagazin **6.30** Europe Today **7.00** News **7.10** British News **7.15** The World Today **7.30** Europe Today **8.00** Newsdesk **8.30** The World's Policeman **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** Music Review **10.00** News **10.05** Business Report **10.15** Global Concerns **10.30** On the Move **10.45** Sports Roundup **11.00** News **11.01** Focus on Faith **11.30** The Tunesmiths **Noon** Newsdesk **12.30pm** BBC English **12.45** Mittagsmagazin **1.00** World News **1.10** Words of Faith **1.15** The World's Policeman **1.45** Sports Roundup **2.00** Newshour **3.00** News **3.05** Outlook **3.30** Off the Shelf: *Walden* **3.45** Global Concerns **4.00** News **4.15** Music Review **5.00** News **5.10** British News **5.15** BBC English **5.30** Heute Aktuell **6.00** News **6.05** Business Report **6.15** BBC English **7.00** Newsdesk **7.30** Heute Aktuell **8.00** Nachrichten **8.05** Kaleidoskop **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** The World Today **9.30** Europe Today **10.00** Newshour **11.00** News **11.10** British News **11.15** People and Politics **11.45** Sports Roundup **Midnight** News **12.05am** Business Report **12.15** Worldbrief **12.30** Multitrack 3 **1.00** Newsdesk **1.30** From the Weeklies **1.45** The Learning World **2.00** News **2.05** Outlook **2.30** Short Story: *Dog Training* **2.45** Jazz Now and Then **3.00** Newsdesk **3.30** People and Politics **4.00** News **4.10** British News **4.15** Sports Roundup **4.30** The Vintage Chart Show **5.00** News **5.15** Good Books

CLASSIC FM

6.00am Nick Bailey **9.00** Henry Kelly **12.00** Joan Thirkettle **2.00pm** Lunchtime Concerto: Rimsky-Korsakov (Clarinet Concerto: Kjell Fagéus; Stockholm Symphonic Wind Band) **3.00** Petroc Trelawny **6.00** Classic Reports **7.00** Classic Verdict **8.00** Evening Concert: Smetana (Overture, The Bartered Bride); Suk (Asrael Symphony); Janáček (Sinfonietta) **10.00** Michael Mappin **1.00-6.00am** Robert Booth

VIRGIN 1215

6.00am Russ and Jono **10.00** Richard Skinner **1.00pm** Kevin Greening **4.00** Mitch Johnson **7.00** Emperor Rosko **10.00** Nick Abbot **2.00-6.00am** Sandy Beech

VARIATIONS

ANGLIA
As London except: 1.55-2.20 A Country Practice (66813629) **2.30-3.00** Gardening Time (464) **5.10-5.40** Travel Trails (1219209) **6.00** Home And Away (937822) **6.25-7.00** Anglia News (628551) **10.30** Anglia News (821919) **10.45** Film: Iron Eagle II (86719629) **12.35am** Beyond Reality (4676033) **1.05** Whale On (6809755) **2.05** Raw Power (3357472) **3.05** Entertainment U.K. (7145217) **4.00** Get Wet (44743) **4.30** Riviera (55959304) **4.55-5.30** Jobfinder (2061168)

CENTRAL
As London except: 1.55-2.20 Shortland Street (66813629) **2.30** Maternal World (464) **3.00-3.30** A Country Practice (3483) **5.10-5.40** Movies, Games And Videos (1219209) **6.00** Home And Away (937822) **6.25-7.00** Central News (628551) **10.30** Central News (830667) **10.40** Central Weekend (1126667) **12.10am** Secret Of The Sahara (1354385) **1.10** Whale On (1690746) **2.10** The Beat (3356743) **3.10** Entertainment U.K. (7135830) **4.05** Jobfinder (2017946) **5.20-5.30** Asian Eye

GRANADA
As London except: 2.30-3.00 Granada Action (464) **5.10-5.40** The Munsters Today (1219209) **6.00** Home And Away (193) **6.30** Granada Tonight (563769) **6.55-7.00** Kick Off (410990) **10.30** Granada News (830667) **10.40** Film: Joe Kidd (1126667) **12.10am** Beverly Hills 90210 (1364762) **1.05** Whale On (6809755) **2.05** Raw Power (3357472) **3.05** Entertainment U.K. (7145217) **4.00** Get Wet (44743) **4.30** Riviera (55959304) **4.55-5.30** Jobfinder (2061168)

HTV WEST
As London except: 1.55-2.20 A Country Practice (66813629) **2.30-3.30** Highway To Heaven (80532) **6.00** HTV News (193) **6.30-7.00** HTV Sportsweek (445) **10.30** HTV News & Weather (830667) **10.40** Film: The Barbary Coast (88734938) **12.35am** New Candid Camera (4676033) **1.05** Whale On (6809755) **2.05** Raw Power (3357472) **3.05** Entertainment U.K. (7145217) **4.00** Get Wet (44743) **4.30** Riviera (55959304) **4.55-5.30** Jobfinder (2061168)

HTV WALES
As HTV WEST except: 6.00 Wales At Six (193) **6.30-7.00** Get Going (445) **10.30** HTV Wales Headlines (830667) **10.40** The Mal Pope Story (185464) **11.40** The Big Story (975984) **12.10am** Married...With Children (6577520) **12.40-1.05** Billy (3830120)

MERIDIAN
As London except: 2.30 Take The High Road (464) **3.00-3.30** Shortland Street (3483) **6.00-7.00** Meridian Tonight (21342) **10.30** Meridian News & Weather (830667) **10.40** Married...With Children (305280) **11.10** Film: 11th Victim (777025) **12.55am** Whale On (1991965) **2.05** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (8585323) **2.35** Raw Power (5954830) **3.35** Cue The Music (7373743) **4.30-5.00** The Art Of The Landscape (39762)

TYNE TEES
As London except: 1.55-2.20 A Country Practice (66813629) **2.40-3.30** Murder, She Wrote (7091280) **5.55** Tyne Tees Today (365445) **6.30-7.00** Up Country (445) **10.30** Tyne Tees News (830667) **10.40** The Hidden Room (305280) **11.10** Film: The Bridges At Toko-Ri (883025) **1.05am** Whale On (6809755) **2.05** The Big E (3376507) **3.00** Film: Table For Five (88483365) **5.05-5.30** Get Wet (1648897)

WESTCOUNTRY
As London except: 1.55-2.20 The Sullivans (66813629) **2.25** Westcountry Latest (63085437) **2.30** Gardener's Diary (464) **3.00-3.30** A Country Practice (3483) **6.00-7.00** Westcountry Live (21342) **10.30** Westcountry Latest (830667) **10.40** Beverly Hills 90210 (491223) **11.35** Love And War (976613) **12.05am** 25th Anniversary Of The Marquee (1374149) **1.00** My Story (7378472) **1.05** Whale On (6809755) **2.05** Raw Power (3357472) **3.05** Entertainment U.K. (7145217) **4.00** Get Wet (44743) **4.30** Riviera (55959304) **4.55-5.30** Jobfinder (2061168)

YORKSHIRE
As London except: 1.55-2.20 A Country Practice (66813629) **2.25** Calendar News (63085437) **2.30** Help Yourself (8342629) **2.35** Five Minutes (8261700) **2.40-3.30** Murder, She Wrote (7091280) **5.55** Calendar (365445) **6.30-7.00** Parish Pump (445) **10.30** Calendar News (830667) **10.40** The Hidden Room (305280) **11.10** Film: The Bridges At Toko-Ri (883025) **1.05am** Whale On (6809755) **2.05** The Big E (3376507) **3.00** Film: Table For Five (88483365) **5.05-5.30** Get Wet (1648897)

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Starts: 7.00am The Big Breakfast (12385) **9.00** You Bet Your Life (88193) **9.30** Schools (463261) **12.00pm** House To House (75629) **12.30** Slot Meithrin (17193) **1.00** Sesame Street (12548) **2.00** Class Action (2990) **2.30** Film: Time Gentlemen Please (72700) **4.00** Slot 23 (7613) **5.00** Trash Talk (1782) **5.30** Fifteen To One (822) **6.00** News (864435) **6.20** Cwlwm Serch (620713) **6.25** Heno (626193) **7.00** Pobol Y Cwm (3006) **7.30** Natur Wyllt (241) **8.00** Canu O Gan (2754) **8.30** Newyddion (1261) **9.00** Concertol (8603) **10.00** Brookside (76358) **10.30** Clive Anderson Talks Back (716759) **11.10** Eurotrash (203629) **11.45** Film: Slacker (910803)

RADIO 3

6.55am Weather
7.00 On Air, with Andrew McGregor. Including Biber (Battalia a 10); Glazunov (Stenka Razin); Bliss (Conversations: Nash Ensemble): Dupré (Esquisse in E minor, Op 41 No 2); Hildegard of Bingen (Vos flores rosarum); Ireland (Legend,)
9.00 Composers of the Week: Arne, Boyce and Friends. Music for the Anglican Church. Including Boyce (Turn thee unto me; I have surely built thee an house); Greene (How long wilt thou forget me); Stanley (Voluntary in D minor, Op 5 No 8); Hayes (O Worship the Lord); Croft (Jubilate in D)
10.00 Musical Encounters, with Piers Burton-Page. Bruckner (Psalms: Corydon Singers under Matthew Best); Prokofiev (Piano Sonata No 7: Barbara Nissman); Rachmaninov (Symphony No 1 in D minor: BBC Philharmonic under En Shao)
12.00 Lieder and Followers: Mahler and Clara Schumann's Liebst du um Schönheit?; Strauss and Max Reger's Wiegenlied? (r)
1.00pm News 1.05 Chamber Music from Manchester The Academia Wind Quintet of Prague performs Beethoven (Sextet in E flat, Op 71); Reicha (Quintet in F)
2.00 Youth Orchestras of the World. Royal Academy of Music SO under Nicholas Cleobury. Nicholas Maw (The World in the Evening); Paul Patterson (White Shadows on the Dark Horizon); Harrison Birtwistle (Gawain's Journey)
3.35 Clarinet and Piano Music Linda Merrick, clarinet, Benjamin Frith, piano, perform Stanford (Three Intermezzi, Op 13); Wilfred Josephs (Clarinet Sonata No 2, Op 149). Stanford (Clarinet Sonata, Op 129) (r)
4.30 The Last Tsambouna Player on the Island: Natasha Lemos looks at the changes in Greek traditional music over the past 70 years
5.00 In Tune from the Classical Music Show at the Business Design Centre, London
7.30 The BBC Orchestras: BBC Philharmonic under Yan Pascal Tortelier, with Alexei Lubimov, piano. Debussy (Prélude à l'après-midi d'un faune); Mozart (Piano Concerto No 24 in C minor, K491); David Matthews (A Vision and a Journey), Stravinsky (Symphony in Three Movements)
9.20 In a Word: Memory and Allusion with Ivan Hewett
9.40 The Cares of Lovers: Emma Kirkby and Evelyn Tubb, sopranos, with Anthony Rooley, lute, perform Henry Lawes (This Mossy Bank); William Lawes (Tis Not, Boy); Henry Lawes (Dialogue on a Kiss); Blow (When Artists Hit on Lucky Thoughts; Clarona, Lay Aside Your Lute; Ah Heaven! What Is't I Hear?); Purcell (Two Daughters of This Aged Stream; Dear Pretty Youth; Oh, Solitude!; Love Thou Art Best) (r)
10.45 God Hath Sent Me to Sea for Pearls: The novelist Paul Bailey looks back on the life and work of the 18th-century poet Christopher Smart
11.30 Midnight Oil. Sarah Walker introduces Barry Guy's After the Rain
12.30-12.35am News
1.00-2.25 Night School (except in Scotland: as Radio 5 at 9am)
2.30-3.10 Night School Extra

RADIO 4

5.55am Shipping **6.00** News Briefing incl **6.03** Weather **6.10** Farming Today **6.25** Prayer for the Day **6.30** Today, incl **6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30** News; **6.45** Business News; **6.55, 7.55, 8.58** Weather; **7.25, 8.25** Sports News; **7.45** Thought for the Day **8.40** Yesterday in Parliament
9.00 News 9.05 Desert Island Discs: Raymond Seitz, the American ambassador in London (r)
9.45 Pennine People: The King of Cheese. Martin Wainwright profiles Kit Calvert, who rescued the Wensleydale Creamery
10.00-10.30 No Further Question? (FM only): See Choice
10.00 News; An Act of Worship (LW only)
10.15 The Bible (LW only): Ecclesiastes (2/2)
10.30 Woman's Hour: asks if women have enough choice about where and how to have their babies incl **11.00 News**
11.30 The Natural History Programme, presented by Kelvin Boot
12.00 News; You and Yours, with Tasneem Siddiqi
12.25pm The Food Programme: Marya Burgess investigates greed, contempt and corruption in the catering business **12.55** Weather
1.00 The World at One, with Nick Clarke
1.40 The Archers (r) **1.55** Shipping Forecast
2.00 News; Classic Serial: On the Eve (r)
3.00 News; Special Assignment
3.30 Your Place or Mine? Access Denied. The story of Nicholas Whiteley who broke into universities without leaving his bedroom
4.00 News 4.05 Kaleidoscope reviews "The Writing on the Wall" exhibition at the Tate Gallery, with contributions from 20 women writers including Michèle Roberts, Eleanor Bron and Sue Townsend; and meets Mercedes Sosas, the South American singer and folk heroine
4.45 Short Story: Mystery at Ivy Manor, by Wendy Barr. Read by Fiona Bell (r)
5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping **5.55** Weather
6.00 Six O'Clock News
6.30 Going Places: Transport news with Janet Trewin and Peter Macann
7.00 News 7.05 The Archers
7.20 Pick of the Week, with Chris Serle
8.05 Any Questions? Ann Clwyd, MP, opposition spokesperson on National Heritage; Eric Forth, MP, education minister; Robin Page, farmer and journalist; and Matthew Taylor, MP, Liberal Democrat spokesman on the Social Charter and youth affairs, tackle the issues raised in Wellington, Shropshire. The chairman is Jonathan Dimbleby
8.50 Law in Action, presented by Marcel Berlins
9.15 Kaleidoscope: See Choice
9.45 Letter from America by Alistair Cooke **9.59** Weather
10.00 The World Tonight, with Robin Lustig
10.45 Booker at Bedtime: Rachel Atkins reads extracts from *Crossing the River* by Caryl Phillips
11.00 Week Ending: A satirical review of the news
11.25 The Financial Week, with Heather Payton
11.45 Today in Parliament
12.00 News, incl **12.27** Weather **12.33** Shipping **12.43** As World Service (LW only)

CHOICE

No Further Questions? *Radio 4, 10.00am (FM)*
Radio 4's Friday morning schedules get a welcome stiffening with this new series about 19th century trials that held a mirror to prevailing social and moral attitudes. To the role of narrator, Nicholas Stewart QC brings a legal gravitas that takes some of the nastiness out of the first of these reconstructed cases. In it, a merchant navy captain and two senior officers are accused of murdering an able seaman. The voice of *The Times* was not silent about that brutal episode at the time. Nor, as you can see, is it silent about it this morning.

Kaleidoscope: Packing Jellyfish into Hampers: *Radio 4, 9.15pm*
Tim Dee has got two eminent biographers, Michael Holroyd and Richard Holmes, to discuss the art of writing a life of someone neither of them knew but about whom they are acknowledged to have said probably the last word. Holroyd and Holmes say flattering things about each other. No other biographer is mentioned, with one notable exception. This is Dr Johnson, whose biography of the poet Richard Savage is the inspiration of Holmes's latest book and the starting point for tonight's most stimulating discussion. **Peter Davalle**

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SATELLITE

SKY ONE
6.00am DJ Kat Show (80551731) **8.40** Lamb Chops Play-a-Long (9906006) **9.10** Cartoons (35025) **9.30** Pyramid Game (62667) **10.00** Card Sharks (21483) **10.25** Concentration (8357006) **10.50** Dynamo Duck (5051532) **11.00** Sally Jessy Raphael (57396) **12.00** Urban Peasant (15261) **12.30pm** E Street (68483) **1.00** Barnaby Jones (61938) **2.00** The Seekers (26984) **3.00** Another World (6149087) **3.45** DJ Kat Show (6497551) **5.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (1667) **6.00** Games World (8209) **6.30** E Street (2261) **7.00** Rescue (2396) **7.30** Growing Pains (8445) **8.00** WWF Mania (97377) **9.00** Cops (75667) **9.30** Code 3 (53919) **10.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (35700) **11.00** Streets of San Francisco (38261) **12.00** Outer Limits (46586) **1.00am** Night Court (11965) **1.30-2.00** It's Garry Shandling's Show (25656)

SKY NEWS
News on the hour.
6.00am Sunrise (8495754) **9.30** ABC News (24261) **10.30** Memories of 1970-91 (15025) **11.30** Japan Business Today (33209) **12.30pm** Business Report (13613) **1.30** CBS News (14342) **2.30** Parliament Live (35006) **3.30** The Lords (44025) **4.30** Business Report (5358) **5.00** Live at Five (642716) **7.30** Critical Earth (6067) **9.30** Talkback (34667) **11.30** CBS News (20071) **12.30am** ABC News (68659) **1.30** Critical Earth (44052) **2.30** Memories of 1970-91 (50762) **3.30** Talkback (62507) **4.30** Beyond 2000 (55656) **5.30-6.00am** CBS News (77687)

SKY MOVIES
6.00am Showcase (5260551)
10.00 The Time Guardian (1987): Time-travellers fend off androids. With Carrie Fisher (64071)
12.00 Kingdom of the Spiders (1977): Tarantulas go on the rampage (30777)
2.00pm Crossplot (1969): Executive Roger Moore is unwittingly drawn into a spy ring (94280)
4.00 The Great Santini (1979): Family tensions for war hero Robert Duvall (3071)
6.00 The Time Guardian (as 10am) (86046754)
7.40 US Top Ten (848919)
8.00 The Doctor (1991): William Hurt stars as a cold and cynical doctor faced with his own illness (30723174)
10.05 Hurricane Smith (1990): A Texan flies to Australia to search for his sister, who has mysteriously disappeared (1025193)
11.25 Fierce Boxer. Martial arts action (213377)
1.15am Return to the Blue Lagoon (1991): Milla Jovovich and Brian Krause are shipwrecked on a tropical island (404878)
3.10 Abby My Love (1989): A teenager is haunted by memories of the sexual abuse she suffered as a child (6139052)
4.10 The Spirit of '76 (1990): Futuristic comedy starring David Cassidy and Olivia D'Abo (4378965). Ends at **5.30am**

SKY MOVIES GOLD
6.00pm Picnic (1955): Steamy drama with drifter William Holden stealing Kim Novak from buddy Cliff Robertson (72006)
8.00 Adios, Sabata (1971): Western adventure starring Yul Brynner (10747261)
10.00 Raging Bull (1980): Robert De Niro's Oscar-winning performance as boxer Jake La Motta (24772445). Ends at **11.55**

THE MOVIE CHANNEL
6.00am Town on Trial (1956, b/w): John Mills stars as a Scotland Yard detective (89754)
8.00 The New Adventures of Oliver Twist: Children's entertainment (11006)
10.00 Cry Danger (1951, b/w): Dick Powell stars as a convicted robber trying to clear his name (62613)
12.00 Twentieth Century (1934, b/w): A Broadway madcap comedy starring John Barrymore and Carole Lombard (30759)
2.00pm Daisy Miller (1974): Cybill Shepherd flaunts 19th-century social conventions while on holiday in Rome. (92822)
4.00 The New Adventures of Oliver Twist (as 8am) (1613)
6.00 After the Glory (1992). Veterans return home to find their town in the grip of corrupt officials (89358)
8.00 Filofax (1990): Comedy in which James Belushi lives Charles Grodin's life after finding his Filofax (84803)
10.00 Deceived (1991): Psychological thriller with Goldie Hawn, John Heard (425990)
11.50 Field of Fire (1991) Rescue mission in the jungles of Vietnam (798342)
1.20am Night of the Cyclone (1990): Kris Kristofferson heads for the Caribbean in search of his missing daughter (821697)
2.55 Friends: Two teenagers elope to the French coast (74779304). Ends at **6.00am**

SKY SPORTS
7.00am Soccer News (2763209) **7.15** Prime Bodies (553990) **7.45** Drag Racing (552261) **8.15** Soccer News (1580087) **8.30** ATP Tennis (94957) **9.00** Prime Bodies (92919) **9.30** Andy Gray's Boot Room (75919) **10.30** Baseball (880533) **1.00pm** Ladies International Tennis (5709377) **5.00** Andy Gray's Boot Room (3667) **6.00** Soccer Weekend (31396) **7.00** Rugby League: Wakefield v Widnes (299648) **9.30** Tennis (20990) **11.00** Soccer Weekend (78803) **12.00** French Football (88588) **1.00-3.00am** European Football: Bayern Munich v Norwich (87410)

EUROSPORT
8.30am Step Aerobics (98735) **9.00** Motor Racing (81938) **10.00** NHL Hockey (99342) **11.00** Duathlon (82006) **12.00** European Cup Football (32174) **1.30pm** Motor Racing (54938) **2.30** ATP Tennis (4648) **3.00** Equestrian: Pair Driving Championships (94716) **4.00** Judo (25321) **5.00** Pro-Polo (6700) **5.30** Athletics (8464) **6.00** Athletics (5377) **6.30** Motor Racing (70193) **7.30** Eurosport (2613) **8.00** Motorsport Magazine (33193) **9.00** Motorcycling (20629) **10.00** Boxing (85754) **11.30** American Football Magazine (52377) **12.00** NHL Hockey (73656) **1.00am** Eurosport (48033) **1.30-2.00** Eurofun (78762)

UK GOLD
7.00am GP (3098700) **7.30** Neighbours (3180735) **8.00** Sons and Daughters (8356025) **8.30** EastEnders (8355396) **9.00** The Bill (83466481) **9.30** All Creatures Great and Small (5240532) **10.30** Casualty (7109445) **11.30** Rhoda (3429716) **12.00** Sons and Daughters (8253984) **12.30pm** Neighbours (5268938) **1.00** EastEnders (3097071) **1.30** The Bill (5265209) **2.00** Are You Being Served? (8328071) **2.30** Bread (6015754) **3.00** Dallas (3423532) **4.00** Dynasty (3442667) **5.00** Blankety Blank (8415551) **5.30** Give Us a Clue (6913342) **6.00** Neighbours (6015483) **6.30** EastEnders (6007735) **7.00** All Creatures Great and Small (7070938) **8.00** Are You Being Served? (8411735) **8.30** Bread (8327342) **9.00** Casualty (7069822) **10.00** The Bill (8254613) **10.30** Rory Bremner (8336261) **11.00** Top of the Pops (8969613) **11.35** Dr Who (4046532) **12.05am** FILM: The Spider and the Fly (1949, b/w): A safe-cracker is released from jail to obtain top secret documents (1527878) **1.45** Video Bites (44879217) **2.05-7.00am** Shopping at Night (25946236)

CHILDREN'S CHANNEL
6.00am RatKan II (80735) **7.00** Around the World with Willy Fog (3070754) **7.45** Pugwall's Summer (6187174) **8.30** Widget (43667) **9.00** Jack in the Box (12358) **11.00** Stories Without Words (44735) **11.30** Say Ahhh! (45454) **12.00** Fame (71984) **1.00pm** Jack in the Box (15174) **3.00** The Care Bears (3919984) **3.25** RatKan II (6976358) **4.00** Sandokan (3174) **4.30-5.00** Runaway Bay (9358)

NICKELODEON
7.00am Dawn Patrol (90025) **7.30** Guts (79532) **8.00** Kid's Court (44498) **8.30** Wild Side Show (94939) **9.00** We All Have Tales (83261) **9.30** Fraggle Rock (10803) **10.00** Janosch's Dream (69667) **10.30** The World of David the Gnome (89445) **11.00** Sharon, Lois and Bram's Elephant Show (85445) **11.30** Eureeka's Castle (51629) **12.30pm** We All Have Tales (21919) **1.00** The World of David the Gnome (99396) **1.30** Wisdom of the Gnomes (13990) **2.00** Janosch's Dream (1822) **2.30** Junior Story Time (2602) **3.00** Kaboobey (7629) **3.30** Out of Control (2687) **4.00** Fraggle Rock (1174) **4.30** Hey Dude (7358) **5.00** Clarissa Explains It All (2174) **5.30** Welcome Freshman (1938) **6.00** Guts (1551) **6.30-7.00** Get the Picture (2803)

DISCOVERY
4.00pm Birds in Australia (3440209) **5.00** Search for Adventure (8329700) **6.00** Beyond 2000 (2953349) **6.50** Only in Hollywood (8681087) **7.00** The Arctic (8400629) **7.30** The Global Family (8094261) **8.00** Around Whicker's World (7974700) **9.00** Jean Batten: Garbo of the Skies (7067464) **10.00** British Odd Bods (5515648) **10.50** Anne Martin's Postcards (7025280) **11.00-12.00** Hollywood (3176990)

BRAVO
12.00 Mary Hartman, Mary Hartman (8344280) **12.30pm** FILM: Anchors Aweigh (1943). Song and dance starring Gene Kelly and Frank Sinatra as sailors on shore leave (28695938) **2.55** FILM: Ricochet (1963, b/w): A lawyer blackmails his wife (80087445) **4.00** Flying Nun (6091174) **4.30** My Three Sons (8097358) **5.00** Beverly Hillbillies (8417919) **5.30** Honey West (6011938) **6.00** Doris Day Show (6001551) **6.30** Car 54, Where Are You? (6092803) **7.00** Mothers-in-Law (8420483) **7.30** Smothers Brothers Show (6098087) **8.00** FILM: I Am a Fugitive from a Chain Gang (1932, b/w). An innocent man is convicted of murder (46904209) **9.35** Art Linkletter and the Kids (3479071) **10.00** FILM: The She Creature (1957, b/w). An evil hypnotist is at work (79547174) **11.20** Robert Benchley (9172280) **11.30-12.00** Twilight Zone (8524700)

UK LIVING
7.00am Jayne and Friends (2799396) **8.00** Fame, Fortune and Romance (8805483) **8.30** Living Daylights (8804754) **9.00** Divorce Court (8895006) **9.30** Hot Topics (5334358) **10.00** Fighting Back (3647445) **10.30** Living Extra (8684990) **11.00** The Advice Shop (1574071) **11.30** Eating Out with John Tovey (1575700) **12.00** Practical Living (35614280) **12.15pm** Kilroy (7849087) **1.00** Crosswits (6434464) **1.30** Infatuation (5337445) **2.00** Days of Our Lives (3648174) **3.00** Agony Hour (1659716) **4.00** Crosswits (7215025) **4.30** Infatuation (7211209) **5.00** Jayne and Friends (9258445) **6.00** The Full Treatment (7292174) **6.30** Floyd on Fish (7216754) **7.00** Agony Hour (3920984) **8.00** The Young and the Restless (3002532) **9.00** FILM. A Nest of Singing Birds (1987): A professor chooses between her career and a colleague (3012919) **11.00** Divorce Court (1662280) **11.30** The All New Dr Ruth Show (3843629) **12.00-1.00am** Days of Our Lives (2673304)

FAMILY CHANNEL
5.00pm Danger Bay (4174) **5.30** The Wonder Years (3938) **6.00** Big Brother Jake (3551) **6.30** Catchphrase (4803) **7.00** Trivial Pursuit (4938) **7.30** All Clued Up (7777) **8.00** Snowy River: The McGregor Saga (86209) **9.00** FILM: Hard Travelling (1985): A mentally unstable man begins an affair with a widow (52700) **10.30** Mary Tyler Moore (24532) **11.00** Bob Newhart (36716) **11.30** Newhart (24193) **12.00-1.00am** Lou Grant (11830)

MTV
7.00am Awake on the Wild Side (235735) **10.00** Marijne (967822) **1.00pm** Greatest Hits (55990) **2.00** Simone (112025) **4.30** The Report (6596261) **4.45** At the Movies (6591716) **5.00** News (8405025) **5.15** 3 from 1 (5369445) **5.30** Dial MTV (5396) **6.00** The Soul of MTV (2209) **6.30** Music Non-Stop (83822) **8.00** Pet Shop Boys Popumentary (2716) **8.30** Most Wanted (78822) **10.00** Greatest Hits (61990) **11.00** The Report (421193) **11.15** At the Movies (411716) **11.30** News (768261) **11.45** 3 from 1 (763716) **12.00** Beavis and Butt-head (62525) **12.30am** Marijne (76052) **2.00** Chill Out Zone (33323) **3.00-7.00am** Night Videos (7453491)

TV ASIA
6.00am Asian Morning (36556754) **9.30** Baarish ke Baad (69777) **10.30** Lifestyle (77603) **11.30** Telly Talk (32990) **12.00** Hindi, Urdu and English News (41209) **12.30pm** Nukkad (52803) **1.00** Pakistani FILM (868628) **4.00** Kiddie Time (59613) **5.00** TVA Dedicated to You (3385) **6.00** Close **7.00** Showtime (2938) **7.30** Sportsworld (8087) **8.00** English News (234087) **8.15** ID Youth (118445) **9.00** Hindi FILM: Kamla (330629) **12.05am** Sat N Live (4072014) **1.00** Hindi FILM: Lovers (2596168) **4.00** Maandi (63069) **5.00** Intezaar (95878) **5.30-6.00am** Music (19897)

TNT
8.00pm The 25th Hour (1967): A Romanian peasant is accused of being a Jew. Starring Anthony Quinn (81171006)
10.15 Dragon Seed (1944, b/w): Katharine Hepburn stars in this drama of the Japanese invasion of China during the second world war (92172483)
1.00am High Barbaree (1947, b/w): The life story of a navy pilot (77980781)
2.50 Underwater Warrior (1958, b/w): The story of a professional diver (97744014)
4.40 Pilot Number 5 (1943, b/w): A pilot volunteers for a suicide mission (94097255). Ends at **6.00am**

CNN
Twenty-four hour news

CMT
Country music from midnight to 4pm

QVC
Home shopping channel

Elkington ends American's hopes in World Match Play Championship

Improving Daly delights in defeat

BY JOHN HOPKINS, GOLF CORRESPONDENT

WHAT *do you think* John Daly makes of it all? Eight days ago, he flew from Florida to Scotland and, at St Andrews, experienced a numbing cold that he tried to ward off by wearing pyjamas and jeans underneath his waterproofs. Most days he managed to eat a McDonald's hamburger and chips, or several, for lunch so he did not feel *completely disorientated* in a foreign country. His fleeting visit to the home of golf was rounded off when he pocketed £100,000 for helping the United States win the Alfred Dunhill Cup.

Then Daly came down to London and discovered that amid the chestnut, pine and silver birch trees at Wentworth it was as cold as it had been *on the bleak and beguiling* Old Course at St Andrews. He went shopping for a suit, bought some luggage and visited that famous store in Knightsbridge. "How do you guys pronounce it?" he asked, "Harrards?"

Now he is on his way home again, knocked out of the first round of the Toyota World Match Play Championship by *Steve Elkington, the Australian* Open champion, in the first round. He leaves with £25,000 as a first-round loser and with the knowledge that, in his eight days in Britain, he had learnt how to play the three-quarter shot.

"The fans here and at St Andrews were great," Daly said after his 5 and 4 defeat. "They understand golf. You don't hear wisecracks over here like you do in the States. Here, they respect golfers. I wouldn't mind living and working here, the people are so friendly, but it isn't possible. *I'm American, after all.*"

The admiration is mutual. At Wentworth, the spectators warmed to the biggest attraction in golf. They applauded *the big hitter for his speed of* play and admired his deftness around the greens, even if his putter at times looked — and probably felt — like a hammer *in his hands.*

Daly did not putt well. He had not putted well in Scotland; he had not rediscovered his stroke when he reached Surrey. One hole summed it up, the 21st, where he three-putted from 25ft and Elkington saved par by getting up and down from 70 yards.

Elkington has a simple *swing, an unassuming man-*ner, a quiet voice — and, like most Australians, a steely *determination. He hit some* stunning iron shots: a pitching wedge to five feet on the 6th, a nine-iron to seven feet on the 7th and a six-iron to eight feet *on the 8th. Winning these* holes took him from two up to five up and, to all intents and purposes, ended the match.

Corey Pavin was determined he would defeat Peter Baker and he was never more *than one down, and then* for only one hole, before he won 4 and 3, earning the right to play Nick Price in the second round today. On such a cold and *windy day, Baker should* have had the edge, but Pavin wore a lot of clothes, a bobble hat and got on with the job of beating one of Europe's young Turks.

As usual, Pavin produced some superb golf around the greens. What was not usual was that Baker did not do the same *on* the greens. The man who could hardly miss a putt at The Belfry could barely hole one on *the Burma Road.* He missed one of less than three feet on the 18th before lunch. "Perhaps I used my allowance in the Ryder Cup," Baker, *philosophical as ever,* said.

As the day drew to a close, Colin Montgomerie showed all the signs of giving the sponsor another disappoint*ment to accompany the defeats* of Daly and Severiano Ballesteros. For a while, it looked as though it was going to be Scotland v Paraguay all *over again.*

Time and again Montgomerie missed putts in his match with Yoshinori Mizumaki, of Japan, and he looked *like a man who was undergo*ing a rather painful experience. He was two up after the 24th but missed a short putt for a win on the 35th to remain *one down.* To Montgomerie's relief, he watched Mizumaki drive into the elbow of the doglegged 18th, where a new bunker lies waiting. Montgomerie won *that hole and* then, his putter working for once, sank a 25-footer for victory on the first extra hole. The way he demonstrated his *relief was an indication of how* glad he was to have won. There have been enough Calamity Colin stories for the time being.

The attendance of 9,590 was a record for a first day. Many of them were attracted by the presence of Daly and he is *improving fast.* He is one of *only* 13 players to have beaten the cut in the four major championships *this year* and one of a much smaller band which has played all four days *in seven* of the past eight championships. He is good, *trying hard and getting better.* He should not be disheartened by his quick departure from the Match Play.

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TODAY'S DRAW

Second round
08.30, 13.00: N Faldo (Eng) v S Elkington (Aus)
08.45, 13.15: I Woosnam (Wales) v D Frost (SA)
0900, 13.30: N Price (Zim) v C Pavin (US)
09.15, 13.45: B Langer (Ger) v C Montgomerie (Scot)

MARC ASPLAND



Once the star attraction, now merely a support act, Ballesteros suffers a long, lonely walk during his defeat at Wentworth yesterday

Ballesteros fails to arrest his sad decline

Andrew Longmore watches one of golf's great players struggle to revive better days

If any event was designed to arrest the decline of Severiano Ballesteros, the *Toyota World Match Play* was surely the one. Hand-to-hand combat as opposed to a war of attrition on a course he has made his own over the *past 18 years. Perhaps even* more than the Ryder Cup, the Match Play has been Seve's stage.

Instead, a 7 and 6 defeat by David Frost *in the first round* yesterday simply confirmed *the worst fears. Long before* the end of an icy day, the Spaniard was playing like a man in a trance and talking like a man on the verge of *retirement. After all these* years, he even forgot the rules. On the second hole of the afternoon, he removed an acorn from the green and *repaired the damage with his* putter, thereby improving his line of play in contravention of rule 13.2 and conceding the hole. Four down and out.

"I *am tired, that's all I can* say. I didn't have the feeling for playing golf today. This is the end of the season for me." And the end of a career? We *shall see. Suddenly, the Dori*an Gray of golf looked desperately aware of his own mortality.

It was not so much the loss itself that hurt — Ballesteros was beaten 8 and 6 by Ronan *Rafferty three years ago — but* the inevitability of it. Only a historian or a sentimentalist would have called the result a surprise. The South African is *a journeyman, but a good one,* and, though he cannot match Ballesteros's array of major titles nor approach his magic, he has won twice this year — *twice more than the Spaniard,* who has mislaid the winning habit so badly even his loyalist followers are beginning to doubt.

The gallery had thinned to mere handfuls at the nether reaches of the West Course yesterday, an indignity un*known during the Conquista*dor years, and their gentle applause stemmed more from habit or the biting wind than genuine belief. "He was a *great player once,*" a father told his young son as another chip dropped woefully short. It sounded like an apology.

Frost was so untaxed by his victory, achieved with his tenth birdie of the day at the 30th hole, he played three more holes on his own to prepare for what promises to be a *sterner test against* Ian Woosnam today.

Frost has never flown as high as Ballesteros and, therefore, not fallen as low, but he has emerged from his own bad patch to reach the edge of *the world top ten this year, so* the advice he gave to Ballesteros over dinner at the Belgium Open two weeks ago came from the head as well as the heart.

"I told him not to listen to all the advice and to go back to his own game. Nobody ever told him how to swing a golf club before. Even if it takes him three or four months, he should do it the way he used to. He just needs to find himself. I was in the same position 18 months ago and I couldn't get enough advice." Frost said. But will he listen? "I hope so."

Struggle was not really an apt description of Ballesteros's golf yesterday. It strayed beyond struggle into the realms of club hackers. And yet there were still occasional, very occasional, moments of wonder. A chip over a bunker onto a downward slope, which stopped just four feet past the 8th hole, a pitch-and-run from 35 yards for one of only five birdies in 30 holes at the 12th, which prompted a minor recovery. The rest, including seven bogeys and a double-bogey seven at the 17th, was best forgotten.

By lunch, the South African was three up and the absentmindedness that cost Ballesteros the penalty on the second hole of the afternoon was a symbol of a miserable season. It did not even spark any anger, just resignation.

"That had *nothing to do* with my loss today," Ballesteros said. "When things go wrong, they keep going wrong. When they go well, they keep going well. That's life."

Villa face second Bosnich transfer enquiry

BY CHRIS MOORE

ASTON Villa face a new Football Association enquiry into the circumstances surrounding the signing of their Australian goalkeeper, Mark Bosnich. Villa were told by the FA executive committee yesterday that they must answer charges of making illegal payments to an agent at a hearing in London on November 26.

Villa claimed at an earlier enquiry that they had no case to answer. "We are disappointed that we have to go through this again," Steve Stride, the Villa secretary, said last night. "But our case was *referred to the executive* committee and they have ruled there is a case to answer.

"Our position, however, remains the same. We are still *confident we did everything by* the book and have nothing to hide."

Villa face charges of making payments of over £200,000 to Bosnich's agent, *Graham* Smith, to secure his signing. Bosnich, meanwhile, yesterday changed his mind about retiring from international football and is set to play for Australia against Argentina in their World Cup play-off game in Sydney on October 31.

"If they'll allow him to report a day late, so that he doesn't have to miss our Coca-Cola Cup tie at Sunderland on Tuesday, I expect him to be back in the international fold *next week,*" Ron Atkinson, the Villa manager, said.

"That way he would only miss our Premiership game at Swindon on October 30. *That's the deal he's trying to* agree."

Bosnich announced he was retiring from international football last August after Fifa, *the world governing body,* banned him from playing in Villa's opening game in the Premiership because he refused to play for Australia in their World Cup game against Canada.

"I would obviously rather *he sticks* to his original decision," Atkinson said. "But I can understand the pressure he's under, and at least this should get the whole thing out *of his system.*"

Bosnich said the prospect of playing against Diego Maradona has prompted his change of mind. "It's a once-*in-a-lifetime opportunity for* me," he said.

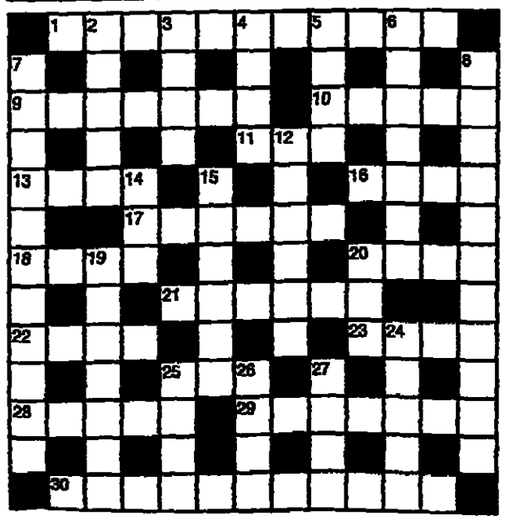
HOLE-BY-HOLE GUIDE TO THE WORLD MATCHPLAY

. = hole won W= won C= conceded

The West Course, Wentworth: Par 72 (6,957 yards)
Outward nine - 35 (3,373 yards); Inward nine - 37 (3,584 yards)

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18		19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	
Yards	471	155	452	501	191	356	399	398	450	186	376	483	441	179	466	380	571	502		471	155	452	501	191	356	399	398	450	186	376	483	441	179	466	380	571	502	471	
Par	4	3	4	5	3	4	4	4	4	3	4	5	4	3	4	4	5	5		4	3	4	5	3	4	4	4	4	3	4	5	4	3	4	4	5	5	4	
S Elkington (Aus)	5	3	5	4	3	4	5	3	3	4	4	W	3	3	4	4	5	5	2up	5	3	4	4	3	3	3	3	4	3	3	4	5	3	-	-	-	-	5 and 4	
J Daly (US)	5	4	5	4	3	4	4	3	4	3	4	C	5	3	5	4	4	5		4	3	5	4	3	4	5	4	4	3	4	4	4	3	-	-	-	-		
D Frost (SA)	4	4	4	4	4	4	5	3	3	2	3	5	5	C	3	4	4	5	3up	4	W	4	4	3	4	4	4	4	3	3	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	7 and 6	
S Ballesteros (Sp)	5	3	4	5	4	4	5	3	5	4	3	4	5	W	4	4	7	5		4	C	4	4	4	4	3	4	5	3	4	5	-	-	-	-	-	-		
C Pavin (US)	4	3	5	4	2	4	4	3	5	3	3	4	4	3	4	4	5	4	4up	5	3	4	5	3	4	4	4	4	W	4	4	4	3	4	-	-	-	4 and 3	
P Baker (Eng)	4	3	4	5	3	5	4	3	5	3	4	4	5	3	4	4	5	4		4	2	5	4	3	4	4	5	4	C	4	5	4	2	4	-	-	-		
C Montgomerie (Scot)	4	3	4	5	3	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	4	3	5	4	6	4	1up	4	3	3	4	3	3	5	4	5	3	4	5	4	3	4	4	5	4	3 1up	
Y Mizumaki (Jap)	4	3	5	4	3	5	4	4	4	2	4	4	5	2	4	4	6	4	1up	5	2	4	5	3	4	5	3	5	3	3	5	4	3	3	4	5	5	4	

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ACROSS
1 Tolstoy epic (3,3,5)
9 Fighter (7)
10 Catwalk girl (5)
11 Attempt (3)
13 Young deer (4)
16 Charity donations (4)
17 Smoothed and pressed (6)
18 Boisterous game (4)
20 Koresh sect site (4)
21 Equestrian training (6)
22 York river (4)
23 Sob (4)
25 Communist (3)
28 Pate de foie gras birds (5)
29 O deg circle (7)
30 Initial (11)

DOWN
2 Bow weapon (5)
3 Very keen (4)
4 Smut (4)
5 US TV award (4)
6 Spanish 'C' character (7)
7 Race quarter mile (3,8)
8 King Arthur's burial place (11)
12 Stank (6)
14 Cold spell (3)
15 French Algerian soldier (6)
19 Body rubber (7)
20 Network (3)
24 At a future date (5)
25 Stagger (4)
26 Judge (4)
27 Scots stream (4)

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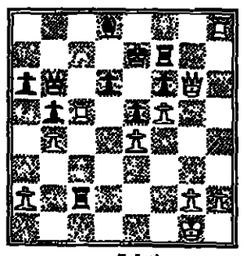
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WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene

This position is from the game *Short - Kasparov, Times* World Championship, game 6. It looks bad for White. He is a piece down, his rook on c5 is pinned and the natural 1 Qg8 *fails to 1 ... dxc5.* Can he survive?



Watch out for part seven of the *history of the world champ*ionship in next Saturday's magazine, when we see Fischer in action.

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WORD-WATCHING

By Philip Howard

SARDONICAN
a. A semi-precious stone
b. Erroneous malicious laughter
c. A feathered headdress

VISCUS
a. A light training discus
b. An *internal organ*
c. Bird lime

CASSIE
a. An *Orcadian* basket
b. A Collie bitch
c. A euphoric soporific

CONEPATL
a. A Mexican minor deity
b. Edible chicory
c. The skunk

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